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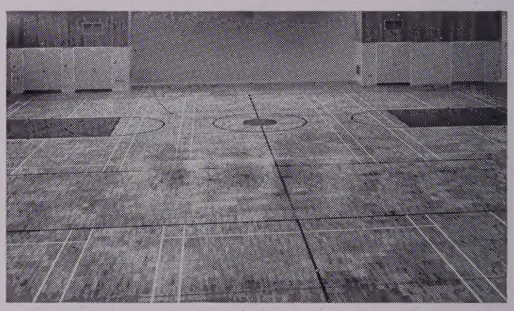

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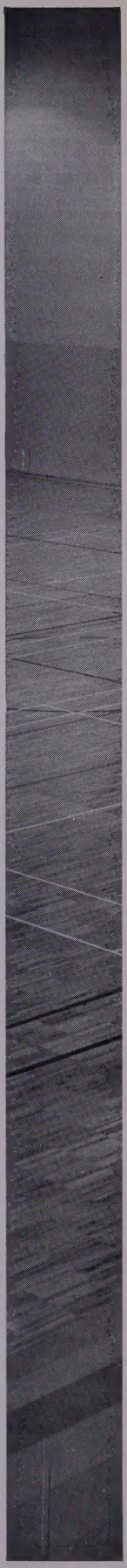

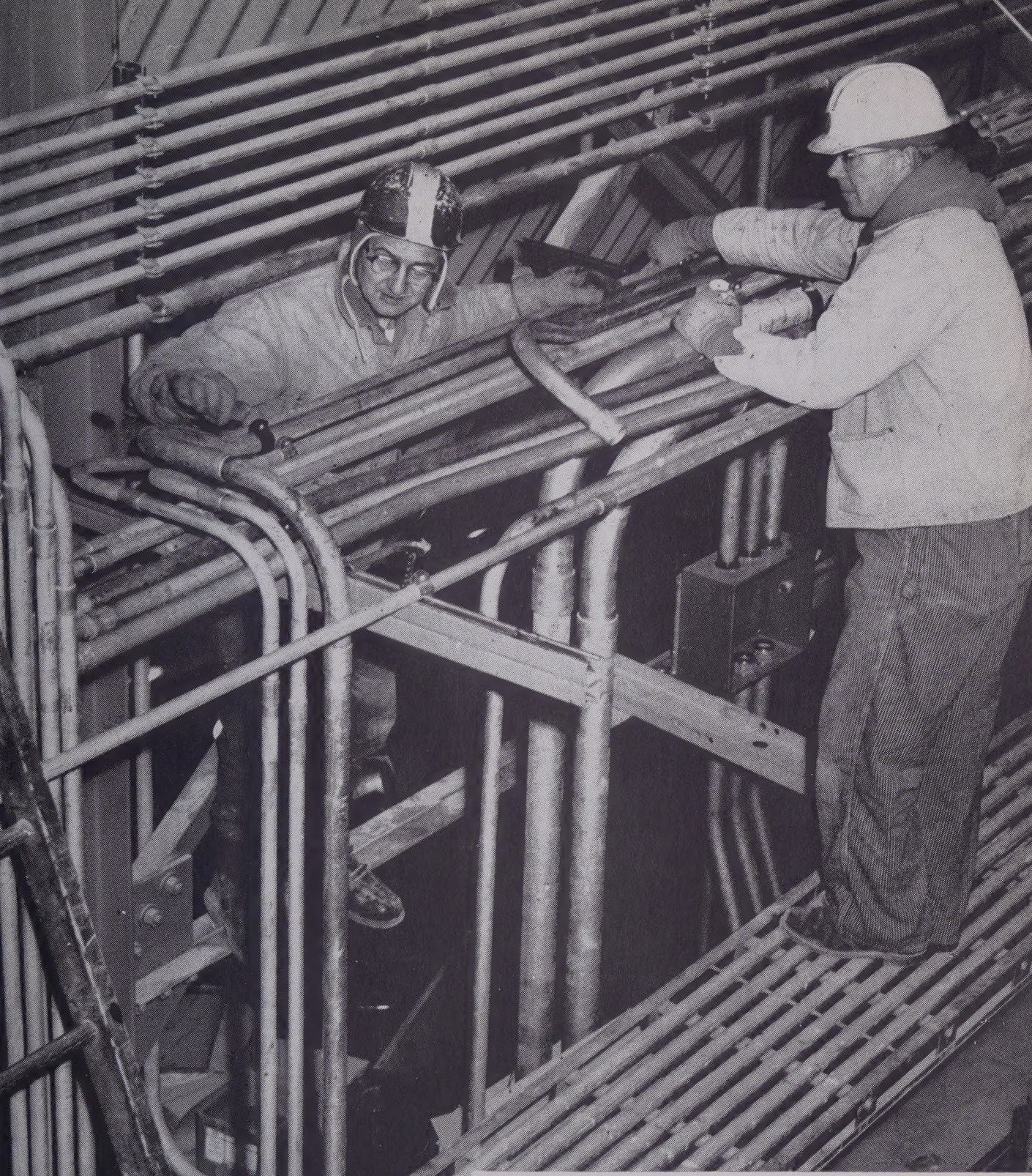

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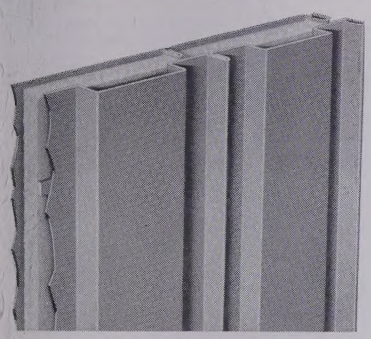

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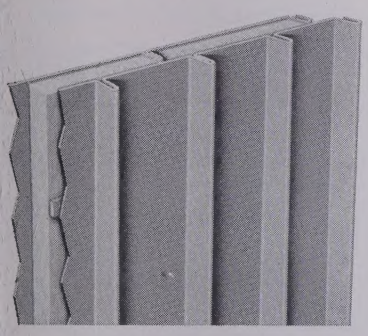

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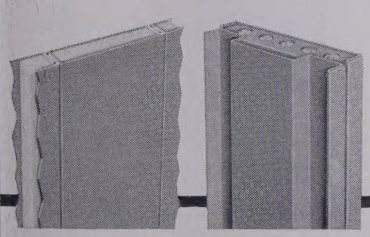

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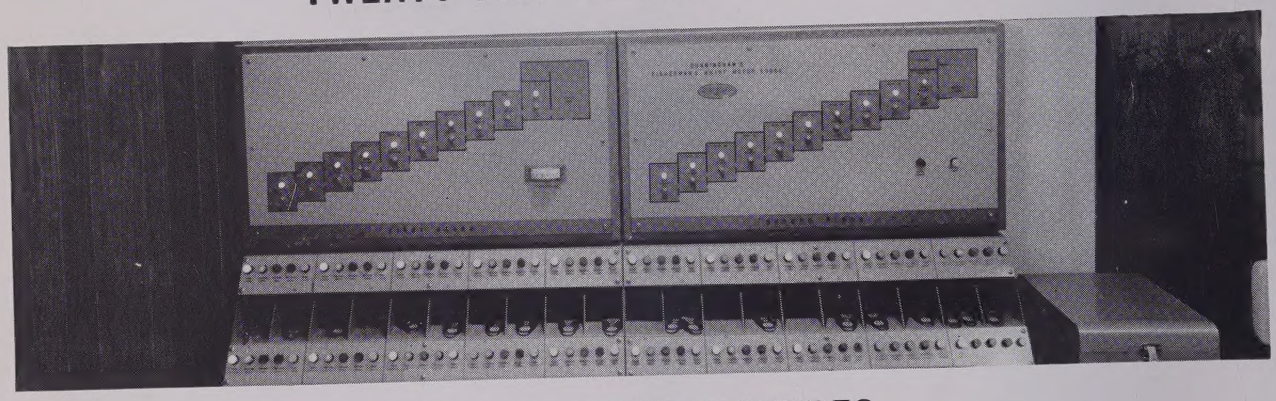

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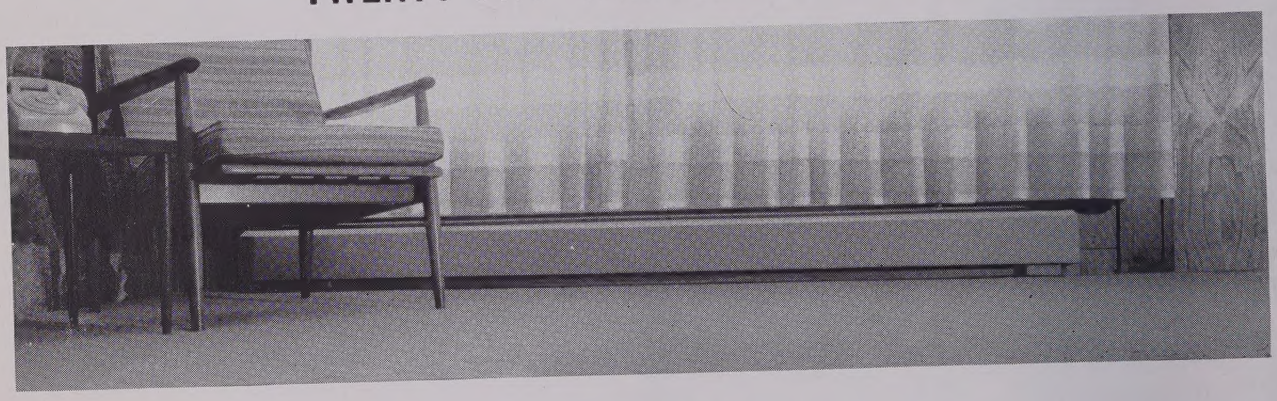

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The connection is not new. In the October 3, 1933 issue of the Weekly Bulletin, Michigan Society of Architects there began a "Builders and Traders Page, edited by E. J. Brunner, Secretary-Manager, Builders and Traders Exchange of Detroit." This continued weekly through January, 1939, a period of more than five years. In the initial issue, Mr. Brunner wrote:

"How do we come to land plop in this space? Well, it's not a long story. First of all, this is a magazine that is really read, and we are proud of the courtesy afforded us. We have been reading this product of our friend Tal Hughes for years, and have always thought that the Michigan Society of Architects should have every support from us that we could give.

"Now don't start off by getting us wrong. We do not mean that the calibre of this page is going to be support. What I mean is that we propose to support the architects' magazine instead of starting a sheet of our own. In this way we are giving real support, and making one grow where two might languish.

"Let us be real frank about this magazine business. The Michigan Society of Architects needs a publicity medium. So does the Builders and Traders Exchange. Publicity mediums have to be supported by advertising. That's where the rub comes—a necessary rub. The magazines are not run for the purpose of getting advertising, but it does take a lot of PURPOSE to get enough to run a magazine.

"This Bulletin, which from now on will be sent to all the membership list of the Builders and Traders, including its contractor lists and its suppliers lists out in the State, will now possess a blanket coverage of Michigan's construction industry. That is reason number one why it will be a logical advertising medium. Reason number two is that it is just bound to be read.

"We can say these things without any reservations because we are not in this on any sort of partnership basis. We will do all in our power to help this magazine, but we will have no part in its management or operation, except that from now on we will use this page as our own, subject, of course, to Tal's blue pencil."

One may wonder why the original arrangement did not continue. The only reason it was discontinued was because Ed Brunner found it too much of a task to turn out the copy each week; and remember, at that time the Bulletin was a weekly. Perhaps the Exchange grew in members and duties faster than did his staff, and he did not have the time.

THE COVER — "Winter Landscape" by French artist Maurice De Vlaminck (1876-1958) Courtesy of The Detroit Institute of Arts.

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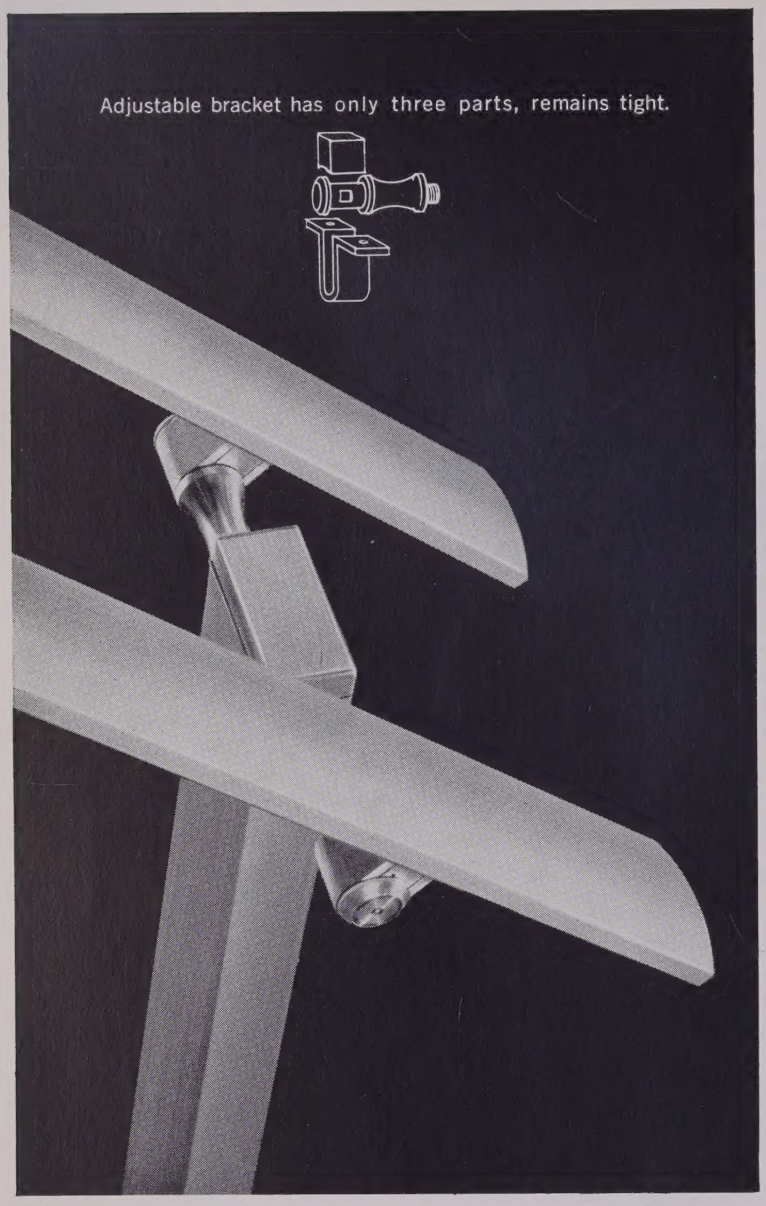

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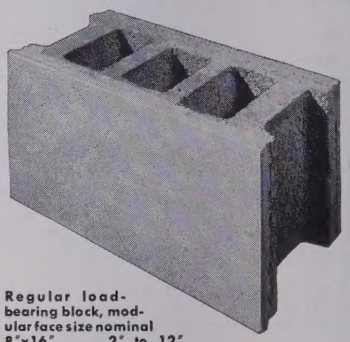

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Correction:

In our January issue was an article on the "Objective - Type Examination", which was credited to Fred L. Markham. We regret that this was an error. The paper was by Mr. Walter Antrim, of Philadelphia, an active member of NCARB's Examination Committee. It was presented at the Council's Annual Convention in New Orleans.—Editor

Student Associate

Hugh Walpole, noted English author, once said, "My supreme piece of luck was in being completely fascinated by the work I was doing. I adore writing. If you can be absorbed in something you're doing, find enough in it to live on, then I think you're inevitably a happy man."

It seems to me that one of the principal reasons for student chapters of the A.I.A. is the opportunity they afford for training students for service to the profession and to the public. After all, the practice of architecture is only going to be as good as you make it, and you can't expect to take much out of a profession, without putting something into it. That's true of a social club, a professional group, or any other organization, and if anyone thinks differently he hasn't got what it takes to be an architect.

Robert D. Kohn, past president of the Institute, tells of a boy who came to him for advice, as to whether or not he should study architecture. He was questioned as to his likes and dislikes, what he had done toward finding out his fitness, and he replied that he liked to draw, was interested in construction, that he had had some drawing in high school and had made good grades. He was advised to continue his studies for a while, in night school if necessary, and to work in an architect's office, even as an office boy. Within the year he returned and reported that he had done everything told him, that he had not made as much money as he might have at something else, but that he was satisfied, because he liked the work.

Mr. Kohn said, "Then by all means become an architect, for you have the spirit, you will be happy to even 'touch the hem of the garment' of architecture, and with that nothing can stop you."

There comes to every architectural draftsman a most discouraging period, between graduation and the time when he is an experienced draftsman. There are times that seem hopeless, but to those who live it through a reward is to come, and when it does it will seem to come all at once.

I can recall when as a draftsman the profession was struck by a depression and I was all but ready to give it up, and suddenly the tide turned and from then on the going was easier. Graduates in the years ahead, undoubtedly, more than ever before, are going to be tempted to accept other work, as being more remunerative. My advice is "don't give up the ship," for America is going to need you. Recently a man told me that his son had been interested in architecture, but had taken a job in a tool shop. He left it and became a blueprint boy in a large Detroit office, drawing in his spare time, but the temptation became too great, for while the architects' office paid $18 per week, he went back to the factory and got $60 per week.

It must be obvious to anyone that any job that pays such wages, after such short training does not have a great future. Certainly, no profession can be learned in a few weeks, nor does it pay well to start. On the other hand, I have in mind a blueprint boy of some years ago who is now a member of one of our largest architectural firms.

Don't expect too much at first. Be willing to demonstrate your ability and, when asked how much salary you expect, don't think of it so much in terms of how much you should have to live on, as in how much you are able to earn for your employer. Your standard of living may have little relation to your earning power, to start with.

Whatever you can do to help the architects will be helping yourselves. Try and understand their problems, for tomorrow they will be your problems, and it will be your duty to help the younger men.

Even more important is your becoming interested in civic affairs, and in your architectural organization, for in that way can you be of service to your profession and to the public. Become interested in public information for the profession, for it is needed. Student branch chapters afford excellent opportunity for such training.

Become registered as soon as possible. The longer you wait the more difficult it will be, and there is too much chance of getting started in the wrong way, with the opposing interests, and even becoming antagonistic to the profession—a most unfortunate circumstance. It is said that a successful architect is one who marries wealth and influence. Of course, that helps, but if you can't do that don't marry too soon.

Don't become an "architect and contractor." Don't be lacking in loyalty to your employer, for most of them are fair, and all are human.

No set of rules can be applied to all. However, I would like to make the observation that, in general, there is a greater opportunity for architects in small towns than has been realized. There are many counties, and large areas where no architects reside. Architects in such localities would do a great deal to bring architecture to the public with a resulting benefit to the profession in general.

You will be faced with the problem of whether to work in a large office or a small one. Again this depends upon the individual. I've seen it work out both ways. Perhaps because if one has it in him he will succeed either way. If one expects to establish his own practice it would be better to get general experience, which favors the office not too large. On the other hand, this is a day of mass production and a high degree of specialization, and if, after years of experience, you become an important part of a large office, you could hardly hope for anything better.

Certainly, the value of the large office has become doubly apparent in large government work. New and unusual things are happening to architecture as a result, and the graduate will do well to take notice of them.

Mr. W. Pope Barney has said he believed that, we face the greatest rebuilding program the world has ever known, and that the architectural graduate of the years ahead had a most promising prospect. Eero Saarinen quoted his father, the late Eliel Saarinen as saying architecture includes everything from an ash tray to a city plan.

The students now in the architectural schools are bound to take important parts in this coming rehabilitation. They can become a vital part of the mechanism necessary in the moral, aesthetic, and economic renaissance which, in the light of past experience must surely come.

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Reports

Technical Problems

Clifford N. Wright, Chairman

This Committee and the School Building Committee met with the State Fire Marshal in regard to revising Bulletin 412. Many meetings were held at the State Fire Marshal's office in East Lansing with members of both committees present, along with members of the Department of Public Instruction. The end result was a revision of many sections of Bulletin 412 concerning fire protective requirements.

All activities of the Committee have been completed and all correspondence answered. There is no unfinished work for the next Committee Chairman.

School Buildings

Walter B. Sanders, Chairman

As in past years the committee represented the Society in serving as cosponsor of the Michigan State University Annual Conference on School Plant Planning July 21, working closely with General Chairman Floyd Parker, Assistant Professor of Education. Twenty-seven architectural firms exhibited thirty-four models at an entry fee of $10.00 per model. This display and attendance of the architects was most gratifying to the conference planners.

Recommendations: Professor Parker believes the attendance of school people and board members would be increased by scheduling the conferenc during the school year rather than in the summer. Because of the similarity of the conferences, it is also his thought that the conference on School Plant Planning might well be combined with the M.A.S.B. Meeting (below). The committee endorses such changes.

The committee served with Michigan Association of School Boards Executive Secretary Sixma in arranging a display of school architecture in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the Association, October 13. Nineteen firms displayed fifty-one mounts and recognition should be given the Lansing firms, all of whom made personnel available for the work of hanging the mounts. The committee recommended Philip Will as principal speaker, because of a conflict of dates he was unavailable and Larry Perkins consented to serve.

Recommendation: Much money is invested in the architectural mounts and they merit much better display facilities than afforded at this meeting. The room assigned is too restricted for proper viewing and the back boards provided for the mounts were disgraceful. Unless better facilities are made available it is our recommendation that M.S.A. sponsorship of the exhibit be discontinued. It would be desirable if this meeting were combined with the M.S.U. Conference (above) and both models and mounts displayed at the one affair in a suitable environment.

The most time-consuming activity of the committee was in collaboration with the Technical Problems Sub-Committee in sponsoring the codification of school building fire-safety regulations with the Department of Public Instruction and the Fire Marshal. Starting with the organization meeting of April 15, there were two meetings a month of the several groups until Fire Prevention Section, School Bulletin 412 was published in early September with effective date of October 1, 1959.

The objective was codification of existing regulations but this was complicated by the Fire Marshal's insistance on promulgation and inclusion of new requirements which were debated at length. In addition to the original study groups the advice of the School Business Officials, Michigan School Administrators and M.A.S.B. organizations was solicited and incorporated in the final draft.

The above were the major activities of the committee. One letter was written to the Penfield Schools explaining Mandatory Standard No. 2 as a result of an invitation by the School Board for free sketches.

It is the suggestion of this committee that a future project might well be the initiation of a study of health and sanitation requirements of the Department of Health relative to schools. There is much confusion in this field and we believe the Department of Public Instruction would be receptive to such a proposal. Another study might be cost and area computations of public school work with the D. P. I.

Earl G. Meyer
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Frederick E. Wigen
Clarke E. Harris, Chairman

This sub-committee of the standing Committee on Education and Research held its only meeting of the year during the MSA annual convention in Detroit in March, 1959. At that time the conference of the A.I.A. National Committee on Research, meeting almost simultaneously in Ann Arbor, was discussed. It was felt that any action by this committee would be premature until after the national conference was held and their findings published. These appeared in two installments in the A.I.A. Journals of September and October, 1959, and hence require no elaboration here. In general, the conference was devoted to: defining architectural research; identifying the characteristics of research for architecture; and to a study of an operational research program and organization.

The recommendations ensuing from the conference of the A.I.A. Committee on Research were submitted to the A.I.A. Board at its meeting in Portland, Oregon, in November last. The "Memo" of November 23 reports Board endorsement of the general concept, and the merging of the activities of the Research Committee and the Committee on Science and Architecture in a Committee on Science and Research. The new committee is requested to come up with recommendations for a specific approach as well as suggested timing and procedures for initiating and carrying forward a major program of research. Until this is accomplished, there seems little purpose served in further meetings of the MSA Research Sub-Committee. The large and expensive operation of initiating a major research program rests rightfully within the scope of activities of the national organization. The implementation of such a program at state level would appear to be the responsibility of a committee such as ours.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the standing Committee on Education and Research handle all matters relating to research and the Sub-Committee on Research be discharged until such time as implementation of a national program is desirable.

Biddle House Restoration Committee

Adrian N. Langius, Chairman

The Biddle House Restoration Committee was proud to be able to give to those who attended this year's Mid-Summer Conference of the Michigan Society of Architects on Mackinac Island a "prededication look" at the House and its garden. The luncheon, the costumed guests, a true Chippewa princess and her family in authentic

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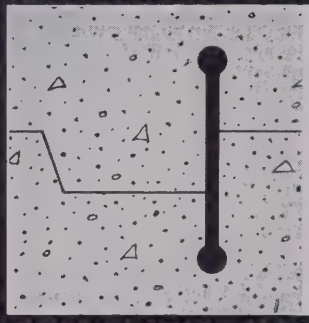

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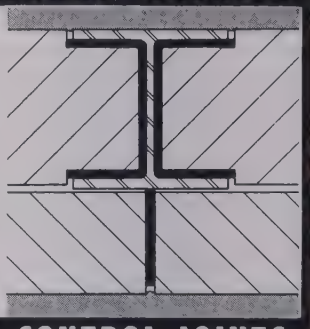

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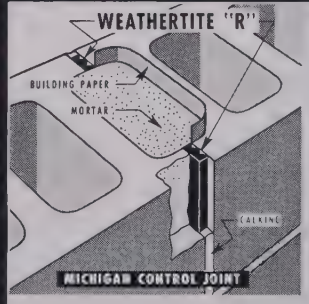

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Indian dress made the open house which was a feature of the conference a success.

While the job of getting the House ready for the occasion might have appeared to many to have been only a routine matter, this was not so. It took fortitude and faith on the part of the Committee because they authorized the expenditure of funds which were not then and are not now in hand. Even with this bold step the House, garden and furnishings are still not complete. The interior painting and the furnishing however are all that remains to be done. The painting materials have been donated and are on hand. The Womens Architectural League of Detroit have been requested to take on as one of its many projects the furnishing of this most historic building. Several offers of assistance that have come to the Committee have been referred to them. The restoration of Biddle House is truly a noteworthy project and has created much public interest.

The House is restored to the period when Edward Biddle was at the height of his success. The restoration work was genuine. The original House was painstakingly disassembled and every one of its pieces catalogued. All useable lumber and stone were reused in the reconstruction. More than 70% of the old frame was reinstalled in its original position in the structure. Good foundations were constructed under the House and extend below the deep winter frost line of the north country. New timbers and filler logs were cut from the woods on the Island and hand shaped to suit. The roof is covered with hand split shakes. The entire log frame is covered with new siding identical with the original hand beaded edge siding installed by Edward Biddle. Most of the original doors and some of the original interior trim were reused. Much of the hand drawn glass can be found in both original and new sash. Hardware throughout is new—most of it hand wrought to match the original.

Professor Emil Lorch gave unstintingly of his time and counseled on every detail. Architect Warren Rindge did a masterful job on the restoration plans—practically without cost. It is doubtful if a more authentic restoration has ever been accomplished in Michigan.

To date 700 individuals and firms have contributed $40,674.00 in cash and an additional estimated $7,500.00 in materials and services. All but the present bank balance of $960.61 has been paid out. No charge has ever been made against Committee funds for any of the expenses of any Committee members, nor for circulars or stamps or telephone calls or stenographic services except the amounts reimbursed the Michigan Monthly Bulletin for the printing and mailing of the original publicity circular to get the campaign underway. (About $900.00). Many thousands of miles have been travelled, and hundreds of meetings held and personal appeals made in every part of the State by Committee members since the collection of funds for the project was first started in 1955. There are two bills which have not been and cannot be paid at the present time, (1) Contractor Eil Van Sweden, Grand Rapids, in the amount of $6,212.07 and (2) Union Terminal Piers, Inc., Mackinac Island, in the amount of $607.35—a total of $6,819.42. These bills put the Committee "in the red" approximately $6,000.00.

The Mackinac Island State Park Commission is already maintaining the grounds and protecting the House through its regular watchman's service. The project always was and continues to be covered at no cost with State insurance the same as all State structures.

Early last fall an effort was made to stimulate more contributions. This was unproductive and disappointing. An intensive campaign in the Kalamazoo areas produced approximately $500.00. Little or nothing was received from the other areas. The Committee continues to have "faith" in the Building Industry. It has "hope" that a new drive which will start soon wil produce something other than the kind of "charity" that came from so many many hundreds of nongivers in Michigan's greatest Industry. If the new drive fails, contacts with Committee members in the future may have to be made at either Jackson, Marquette or Ionia prisons. Seriously, the Committee continues to have confidence also that the Industry should, can and will come through with the necessary funds—if the problem and predicament is placed before them. This will require the help of every architect. This report makes such an appeal. Both suggestions and funds are needed.

The restoration of Biddle House is worth all the time, effort and funds that are required. The project, when complete and paid for will be a great and lasting credit to the entire Industry. Give it the support it needs and then just wait and see. It is the intention of the Committee to present to the Governor of Michigan on behalf of Michigan's Building Industry, the restored house of Edward and Angelique Biddle on Market Street. The presentation is being planned for May 1960 which is the time of Mackinac Island's annual lilac festival.

Michigan Health Council

Clarence L. Waters, Chairman

The Michigan Health Council held no meetings and the only correspondence received was The Michigan Health Council's Annual Report for 1958.

It appears that the Michigan Health Council may, from time to time, be in need of advice on the proper method of selecting an architect and the preparation of a building program for a clinic or hospital in small communities throughout the State. It hardly seems necessary that a committee of the M.S.A. be formed to handle this, but rather that the President of the Michigan Society of Architects be given the authority to appoint a member, or members, of the Society to advise the Michigan Health Council when they request such advice.

Publicity

Charles H. MacMahon, Jr., Chairman

During the past year this committee acted in an advisory capacity for the activities of the Public Relations Counsel and the activities of the Administrative Assistant, insofar as her activities on publicity were concerned. The following items were involved in these advisements:

Architects' personal appearance series on WXYZ-TV, which continued into May with 5 programs in addition to the 11 of last year.

The Architectural Adult, which Public Relations Counsel is motivating.

Distribution of brochures "Meet Your Architect" and "Owner's Portfolio", which has been lagging.

Publicity for March, 1959 convention.

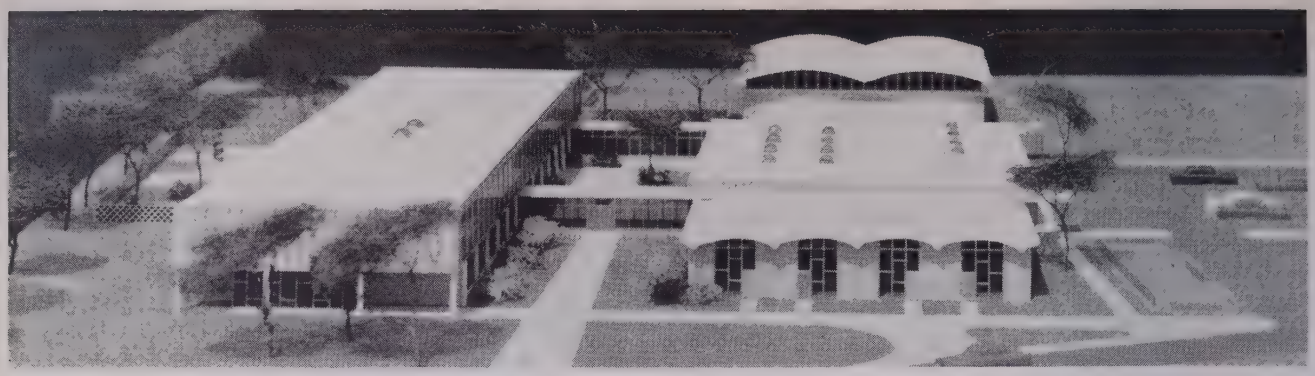
Coordination of publicity efforts of Administrative Assistant with Public Relations Counsel.

This Committee also worked with Dean Youtz on preparation and compilation of data for Michigan Yearbook featuring Michigan architects.

Problems of the Aging

Testimony of Peter Vander Laan before the Senate Sub-Committee on the Aged and the Aging, Committee on Labor and Public Welfare, Grand Rapids, Michigan Hearing, November 16-17, 1959.

The Michigan Society of Architects, speaking for the organized architects in Michigan, is indeed grateful for this opportunity to air its views and to make



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known some of its problems when dealing with housing for the Aged and Aging. In stating that they are interested in housing for the Aged, they mean that they are interested in all the aspects and all the problems that need to be solved for the Aging. For an architect to design a small home, an institution, or a nursing home, he must be familiar with the wants and limitations of the people for whom this is to be built. The larger his background in this field the better service he can give, and for that reason alone it behooves him to gain knowledge wherever he can.

It may seem absurd to many that so much has to be learned about housing for our older citizens, but the rapid changes in the Social and Economic pattern explain why this is so. However, to a limited degree the Aging are housed today and in many instances well-housed. So when taking stock of the situation, a pattern emerges which in rough outline is somewhat as follows:

Elderly people sometimes are housed in:

(a) Single or double detached dwellings. These may be in groups or scattered throughout the community, with complete independence for the occupants.

(b) Row houses — one or multiple story. This type makes for lesser independence but gains a great deal in sociability and ease of care.

(c) Apartment buildings. This way of living has an attraction for many because little or no upkeep is required of the occupant.

(d) Institutional living. This has been in use for a long time, and for those who do not mind a certain restriction of independence it is a good life with better opportunities for care when faculties are failing.

(e) Nursing homes. For the care of the chronically ill or temporary care for those who need it because of special circumstances.

These types of housing are owned or operated by:

(a) Private individuals for detached dwellings.

(b) Churches.

(c) Labor organizations.

(d) Fraternal organizations.

(e) Government — Federal, State or Local.

(f) Private groups—non-profit.

(g) Private groups—Profit making.

In addition to housing there are other aspects of the problems of the Aged and the Aging which call for the skill of the architect in some ways, such as:

Occupational therapy
Physio-therapy
Recreation
Medical Service

And in many cities there are flourishing "drop in centers," places where people of 60 and over meet for social purposes. Another good feature in use in some cities is what is known as "meals on wheels," where a central kitchen prepares food which is delivered to the house or apartment of an older person who is in need of this.

In the creation of all the different things mentioned, an architect can and must render service. The architects of Michigan are ready and willing to render such service. Then what is it that they would like to ask from or recommend to the Federal Government?

In single houses aid is needed in financing, and even though the Housing Act of 1956 does provide in a large measure for relief, not many older people seem to make use of this opportunity, because of lack of knowledge on their part or difficulties in obtaining such loans.

Ownership and operation of Retirement Villages and institutions have been handled adequately by churches, labor, fraternal and other organizations, and it is recommended that wherever possible that pattern be continued, government to have a share only where conditions make it impossible for others to operate effectively. However, financial aid will be needed and this could be granted by the Federal Government on a matching basis.

As to technical knowledge, much has been gained and some architects are fully competent to handle any phase of these problems. However, there is little documented knowledge available. The only way that this can be promoted at present is for someone to write a book or many books, something that is still in its beginning and should be encouraged. The Federal Government is in a much better position to conduct research in the purely technical field and as a result of such research can establish standards and issue recommendations. Individual architects and even their professional organizations will never be able to do this themselves to the extent that the Federal Government can. Government can set up certain criteria; they can compile and coordinate present knowledge which now is scattered all over the country. Matters of zoning, land utilization and community planning can be explored, and aid given in programming for nursing homes, old-age homes and other institutions.

In all these things the architects of Michigan and other states are willing to cooperate and assist. They already have made some significant contributions and are anxious to do more. It is a great opportunity to appear before this committee, something that is truly appreciated. We thank the committee for the time it has given us and for the courtesy shown.

Advisory to Schools of Architecture

Louis G. Redstone, Chairman

Our Committee was asked to present an opinion on the future of the physical expansion of the College of Architecture. One possibility was to add buildings on the existing campus; the other to plan for new buildings for the College on the new campus.

The matter was discussed at the Board Meeting on April 23, 1959. The Board members felt that our Committee should not make any recommendations, but support whatever decision the Dean and the faculty of the College of Architecture will arrive at.

Your Chairman investigated further the possibilities of holding the XI Pan American Congress of Architects in Detroit. The chances of holding the Congress in Detroit as of now seem rather remote. However, it is almost definite that it will be held in the U. S. A., probably in Washington, D. C., some time in 1963. The Committee will cooperate with the National Office, regardless where the Congress is held.

WILLIAM E. BRADLEY, architectural photographer, successor to Commercial Photo Co. and Smith Brothers Co., announces the removal of his office and studio to 17184 Wyoming Avenue, Detroit 21. The new telephone number is UNiversity 3-4457. Bradley is also successor to the late John S. Coburn, who had served the architectural profession in this area for many years. The films of Coburn are in Bradley's possession.

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GREIMEL & MORRIS, ARCHITECT AND ENGINEERS, is a new firm in the Architects Building, 415 Brainard Street, Detroit. The new telephone number is TEmple 1-6604.

Members of the Firm are Karl Hans Greimel, Architect and James G. Morris, Professional Engineer.

Greimel graduated from the University of Detroit, and Morris is a graduate of Wayne State University.

GERALD G. DIEHL AND JAMES B. MORISON, BOTH OF DETROIT; FREDERICK G. STICKEL OF BIRMINGHAM, AND ROGER ALLEN, OF GRAND RAPIDS, have been elected directors of Monthly Bulletin, Inc., a subsidiary of the Michigan Society of Architects, whose duty it is to advise the editor and publisher of the Bulletin on behalf of the Society.

HARRY M. DENYES, JR., AIA, announces the opening of offices for the practice of architecture at 615 Community National Bank building, Pontiac, Michigan. The firm name is Harry M. Denyes, Jr. Associates, Inc., Architects. The new telephone number is FEderal 5-4491.

Denyes, formerly with O'Dell, Hewlett & Luckenbach, Architects, of Birmingham, received his professional education at the University of Michigan, Armour Institute of Technology, and Northwestern University. He was registered as an architect in Michigan in 1943, was experienced in architects' offices in Oakland County, and he served as an officer in the U. S. Army Air Force 1943-46.

He has rendered distinguished public service, as a member of Birmingham's City Plan Commission, Building Code Revision Commission, and as councilman. In April of 1959 he was elected Mayor of Birmingham. His home is at 170 Baldwin Avenue, Birmingham.

BIRKERTS & STRAUB, ARCHITECTS is a new office at 287 E. Maple Street, Birmingham, Michigan. The new telephone number is MIdwest 4-0202.

The two principals, Gunnar Birkerts and Frank A. Straub, were formerly with Minoru Yamasaki and Associates, Architects, in Birmingham.

JACK LEE HARDY, AIA announces the opening of his office for the practice of architecture at 10460 W. Nine Mile Road, Oak Park, Mich. The new telephone number is LIncoln 3-7600.

Hardy received his bachelor of architectural engineering degree from the University of Detroit in 1950, was experienced in architects' offices in the Detroit area. He became registered to practice architecture in Michigan in 1955.

He was architect for the Downtown Motel at 3550 Woodward Avenue at Mack Avenue.

WHEELER, BECKER & SANDO, INC., ARCHITECTS AND ENGINEERS is the new name of the firm, succeeding Wheeler & Becker, Architects.

Members of the firm are Vernon L. Wheeler, AIA, Architect; Byron H. Becker, AIA, Architect; F. A. Sando, Professional Engineer, and George Nemes, Jr., Electrical Engineer.

Offices of the firm will be continued at 1210 David Stott Building, Detroit 26, Mich. The telephone number remains the same—WOodward 2-2695.

THE HIGHLAND PARK FIRM OF KREBBS & FADER has become Lester Fader, Architect and offices have been moved to 25716 Schoolcraft, Detroit 19, Mich. The new telephone number is KEnwood 5-2027.

Fader teaches part-time at the College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, where he is an assistant professor. Ann Krebs has retired from practice.

WARNINGS—By way of showing the way that an architect may become involved in the strange ways of Man, we relay information about a man named Burke.

W. Burke purchased books on nuclear physics from a bookshop near Columbia University. He paid with a check using the Architects Giffels and Vallet from Michigan as a reference. As it turns out the check bounced. He is a six-footer of 180 pounds, reddish hair and a nervous type (which well he might be). To the amazement of G. & V. the bookstore wrote to them and asked for them to make good on the check. A thorough search of their records revealed that Burke had worked for G. & V. for ten days and that was all.

All of this seems to be a warning, adding just one more problem to the Architects' job—beware of Bookstores.—OCULUS, publication of the New York Chapter, AIA.

DEAN WELLS I. BENNETT, FAIA, of Ann Arbor, has been made a Board Member Emeritus of the Michigan State Board of Registration for Architects, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, it is announced by Michigan's Governor, G. Mennen Williams.

Dean Bennett has been succeeded on the Board by Thomas J. Sedgewick, AIA of Mt. Morris, Michigan.

Sedgewick, a member of the Saginaw Valley Chapter, American Institute of Architects, practices under the firm name of Sedgewick, Sellers & Associates, Architects at 168 Robert T. Longway Blvd., Flint 3, Mich.

HARLEY ELLINGTON AND DAY, INC., ARCHITECTS, has won an Urban Design Award Citation in the Seventh Annual Design Awards Program sponsored by PROGRESSIVE ARCHITECTURE, national architectural magazine for its Civic Center Convention Mall in Detroit.

In addition, twenty-one separate projects were honored at the Awards Banquet in New York January 22. The winning designs were selected from 600 entries in ten building categories by a distinguished panel of jurors composed of Architects Ralph Rapson, Louis I. Kahn, Jose Luis Sert, William W. Caudill, and Lyndon Welch, architectural engineer from Eberle Smith Associates, Detroit, Michigan.

The Convention Mall project, more than 38 acres of land reserved entirely for pedestrians, is part of the Central Business District redevelopment.

LOUIS G. REDSTONE, ARCHITECT, announces the incorporation of his firm following the resignation of Allan G. Agree, former associate. Louis G. Redstone is President and Treasurer, Avner Naggar, Vice President and Bernard W. Colton, Secretary.

Albert E. Lawrence, who was with the firm for fifteen years was made head of the structural department and Samuel Hack was made head of the Mechanical Department.

Avner Naggar is a graduate of the University of California with a Master's Degree in Architecture and has been with the firm for the past six years.

Prior to his association with this firm, he worked in the offices of Eero Saarinen and Eric Mendelsohn. Bernard W. Colton is a graduate of Lawrence Institute of Technology and has been with the firm for over six years.

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CONVENTION PROGRAM

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9:00 A.M. Registration continues
Viewing of Exhibits

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12:00 Noon Luncheon—Grand Ball Room
Charles H. MacMahon, 1st Vice President, Presiding

12:30 P.M. Ladies Luncheon—Complimentary
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1:30 P.M. Seminar—Grand Ball Room
Subject—"Housing and Problems of the Aged"
FILM: "A Place to Live"
Moderator: Robert F. Hastings, A.I.A.
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Panelists:
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Planning Director
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Dr. A. Hazen Price—Chairman
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United Community Services
Miss Maude Fiere
Teacher and Sociologist
J. M. Bayne, A.I.A.
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Harold Jack Begrow, A.I.A.
Begrow and Brown

4:00 P.M. Viewing of Exhibits

6:15 P.M. Cocktails—Casino Room
Courtesy: Producers Council, Michigan Chapter
Admission by Dinner Ticket

7:00 P.M. Annual Awards Dinner — Grand Ball Room & Casino Room
George B. Savage, 3rd Vice President, Presiding
Award of Gold Medal by President, Charles A. OBryon
Award of 1960 Honorary Membership

9:00 P.M. Dancing—Grand Ball Room
Music:

FRIDAY, APRIL 1, 1960

9:00 A.M. Viewing of Exhibits

10:00 A.M. Surprise Program
Courtesy: Producer's and Exhibitor's

12:00 Noon Luncheon—Grand Ball Room
Clarence L. Waters, 2nd Vice President, Presiding
Report from Chapter officers:
Robert F. Hasting—Detroit
Charles V. Opdyke—Western Michigan
Vincent T. Boyle—Saginaw Valley

12:30 P.M. Ladies Luncheon
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1:30 P.M. Seminar—Grand Ball Room
Subject: "Housing and Problems of the Aged"
Moderator: Robert F. Hastings, A.I.A.
Panelists:
Mark Herley
Assistant Director
Detroit Housing Commission
The Rev. Father Wilbur Suedkamp
Director of Catholic Charities
Dr. Mel J. Ravitz
Director of Community Organization
City Plan Commission
Peter Vander Laan, A.I.A.
Louis C. Kingscott, and Associates

4:00 P.M. Viewing of Exhibits

7:00 P.M. Michigan Building Industry Banquet
Grand Ball Room, English Room
President OByron, presiding
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Speaker: Justin Wilson
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MARCH 30, 31, APRIL 1

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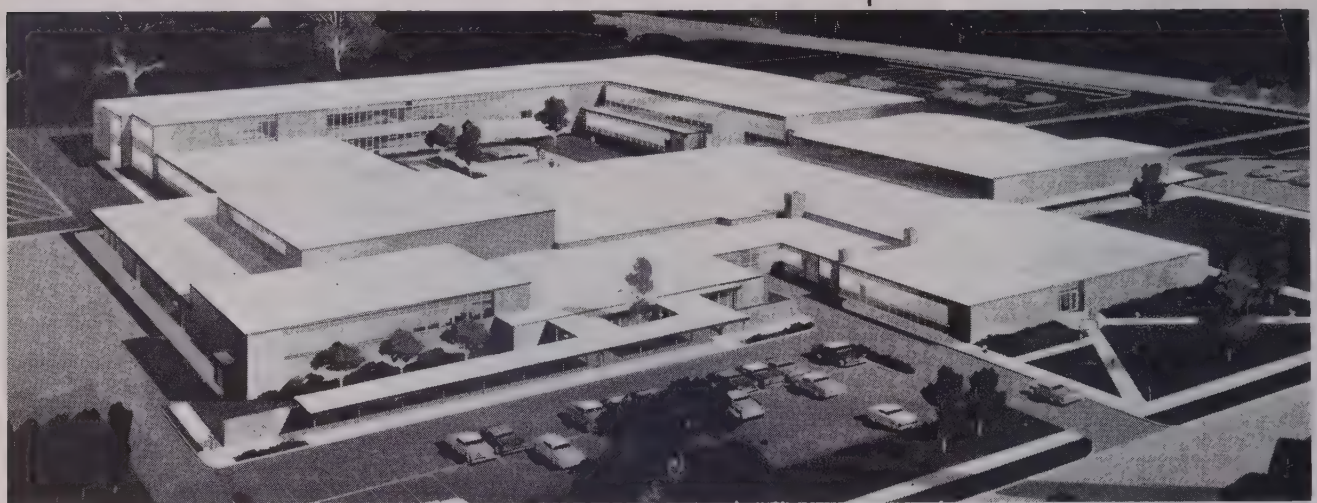

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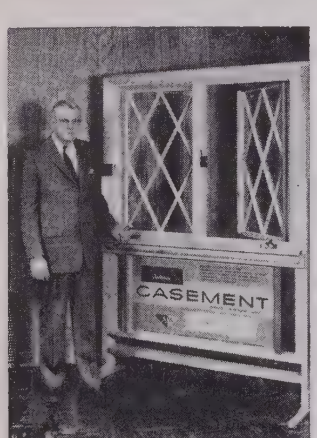

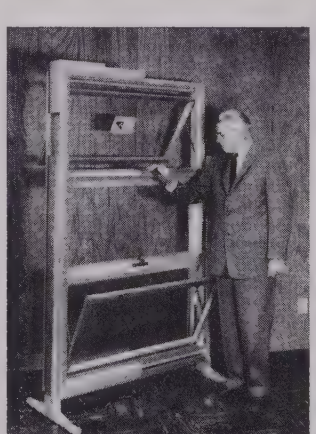

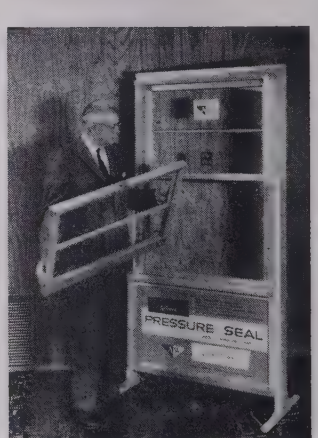

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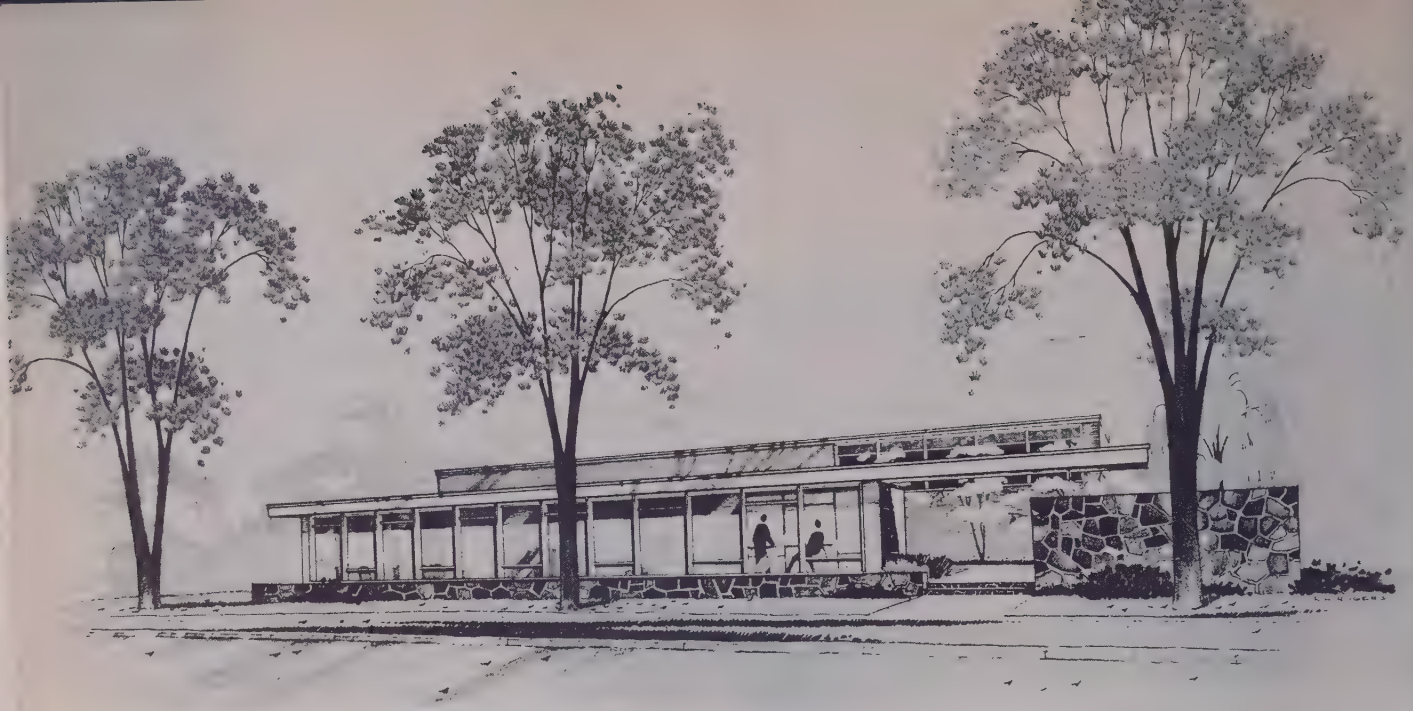

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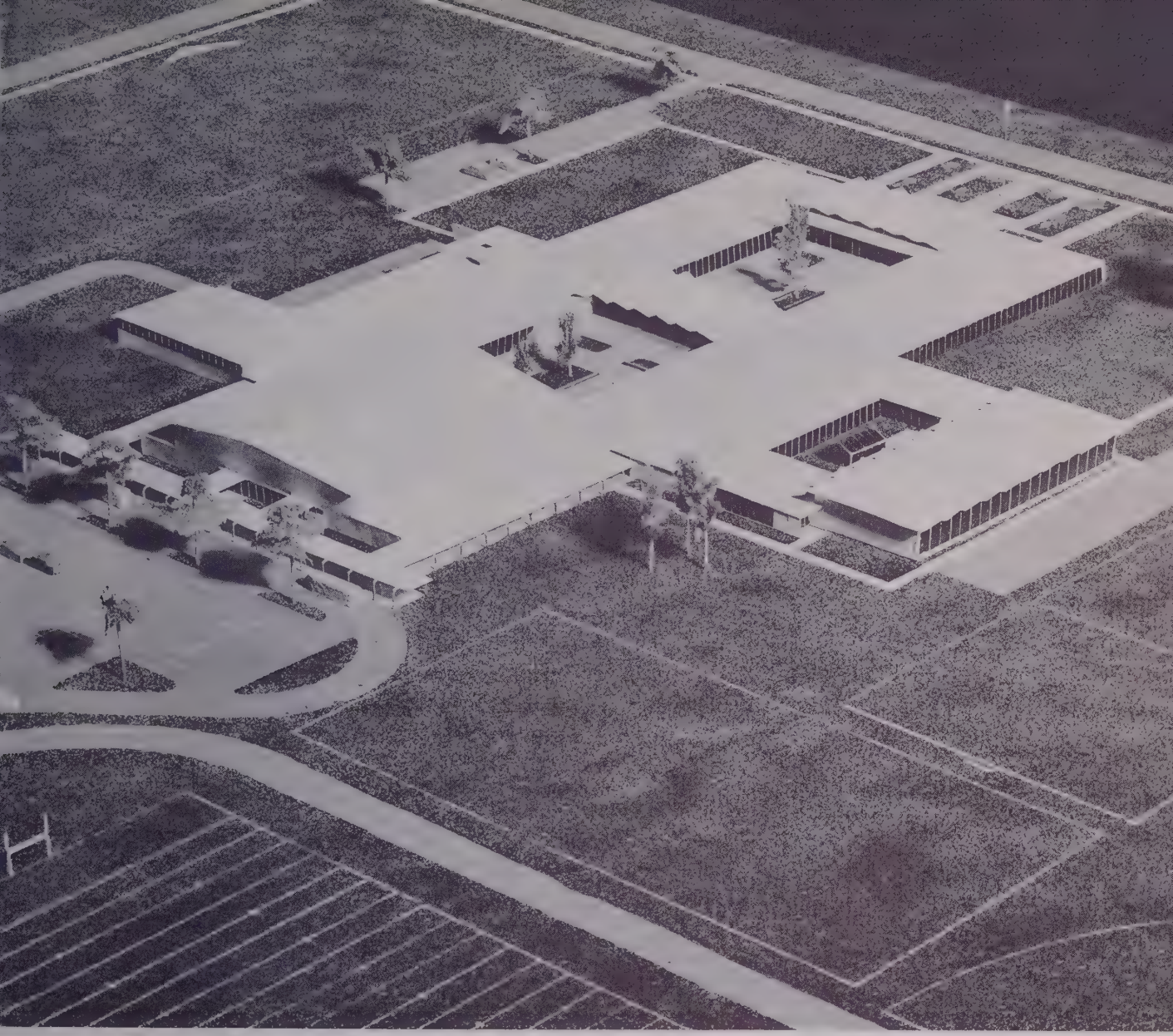

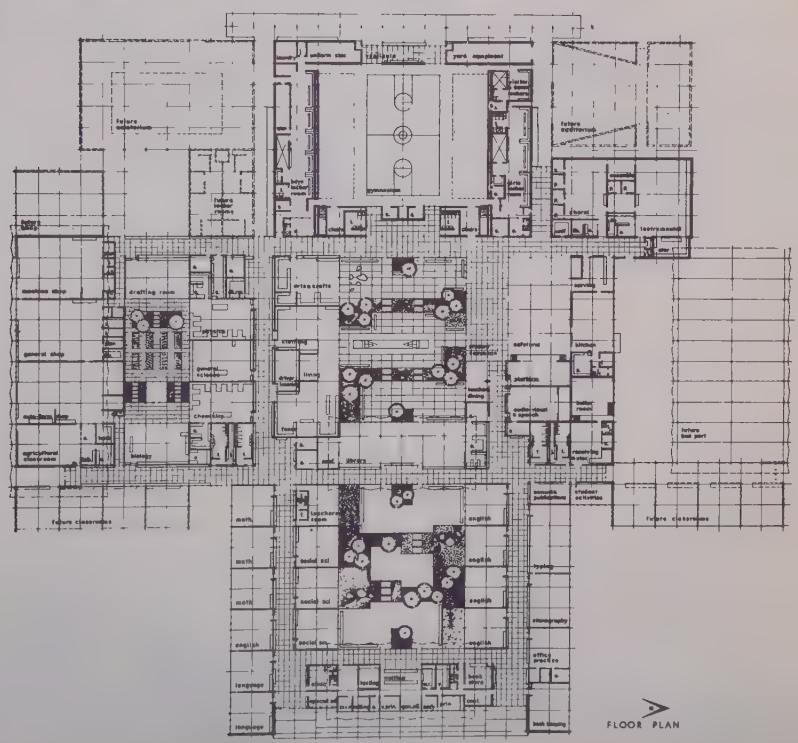

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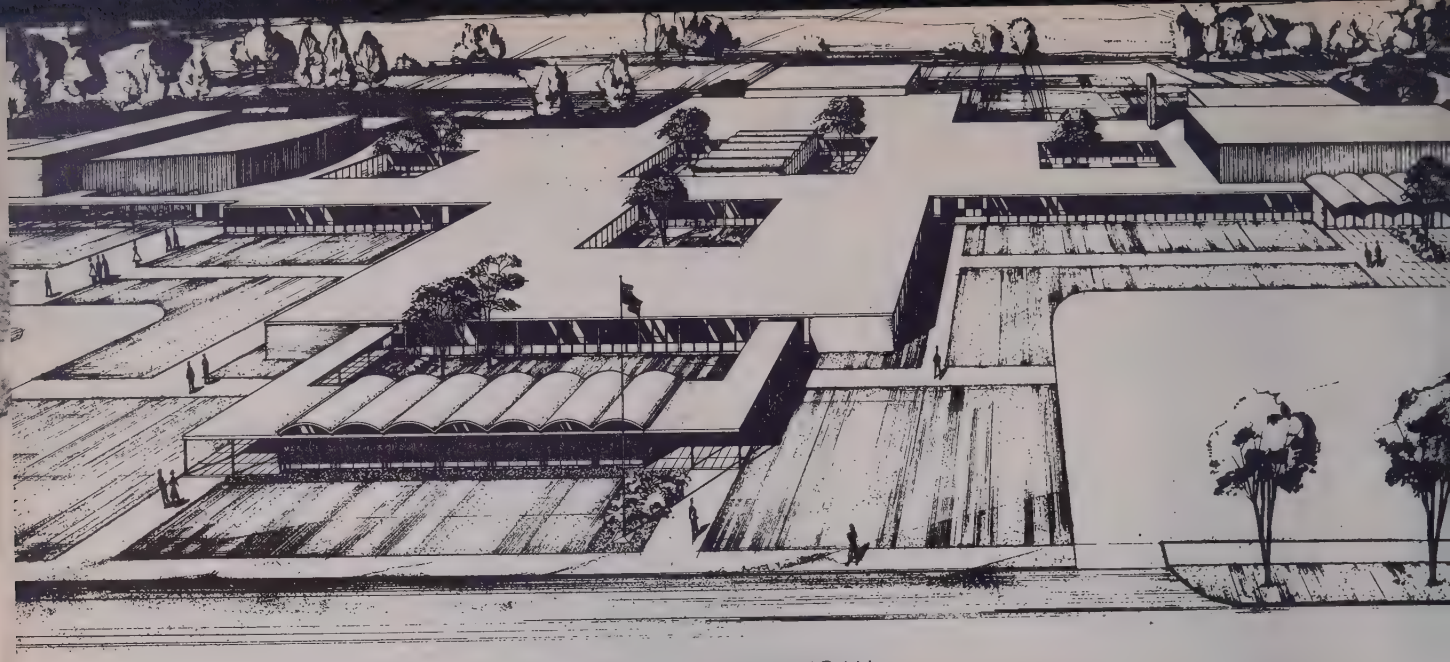

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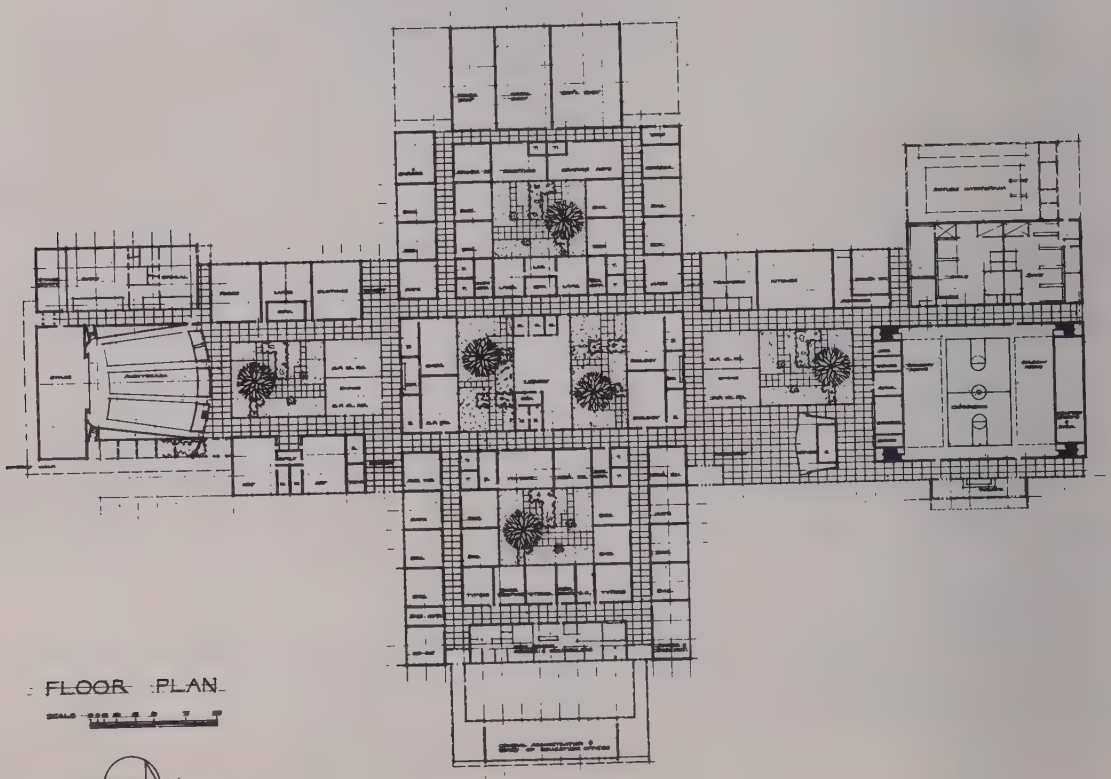

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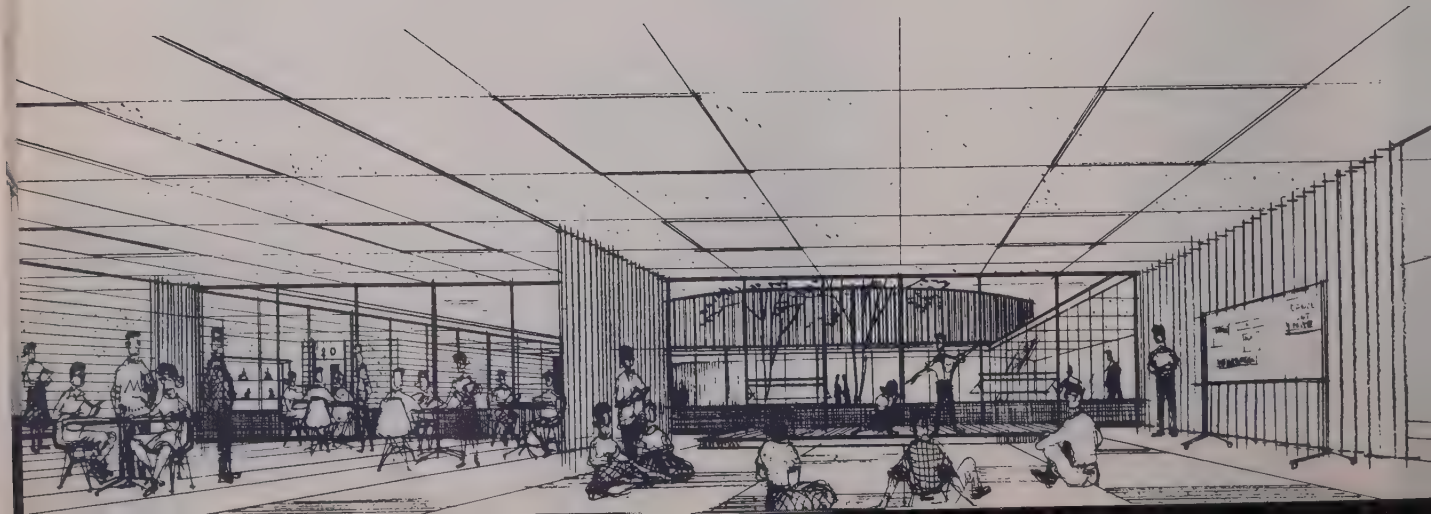

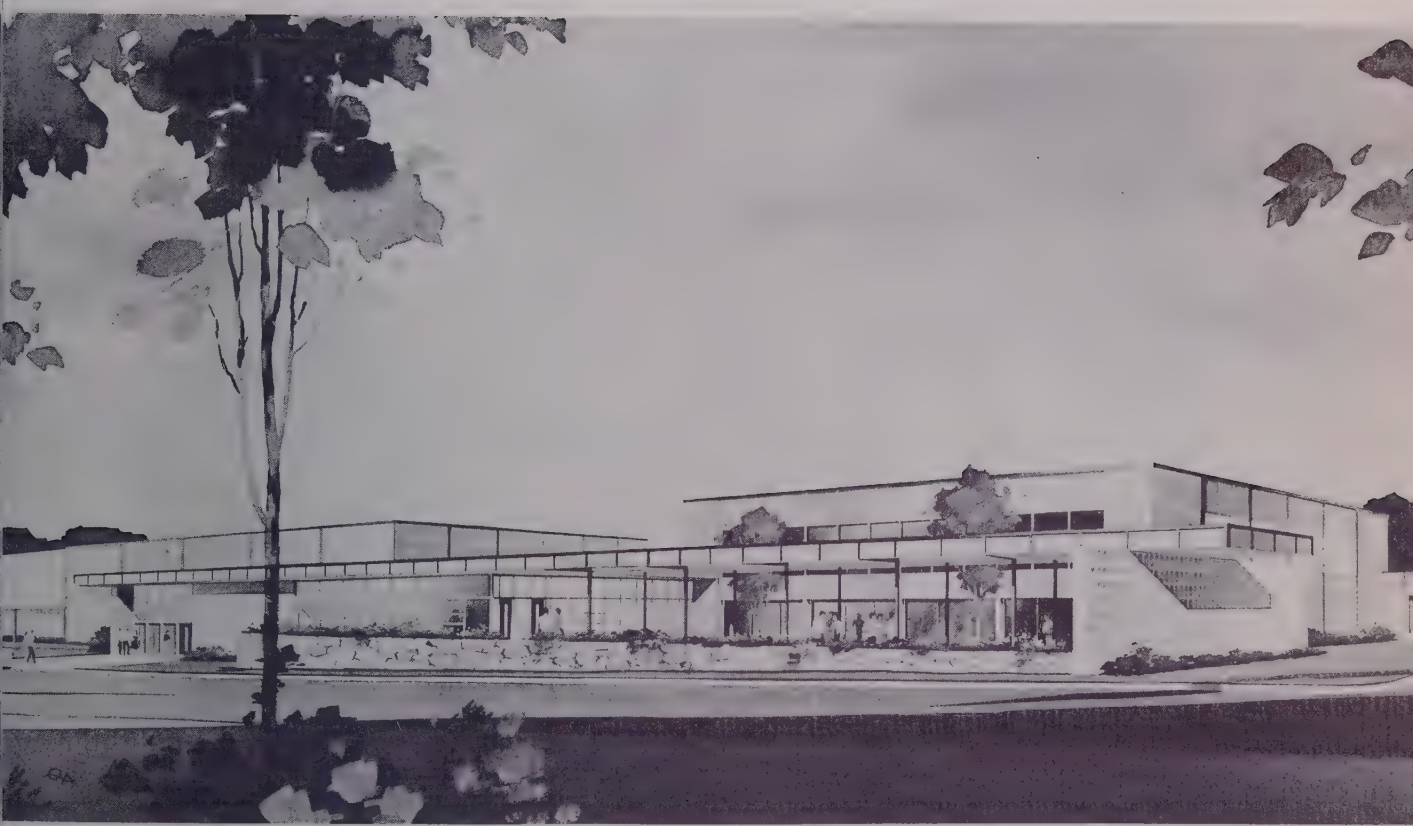

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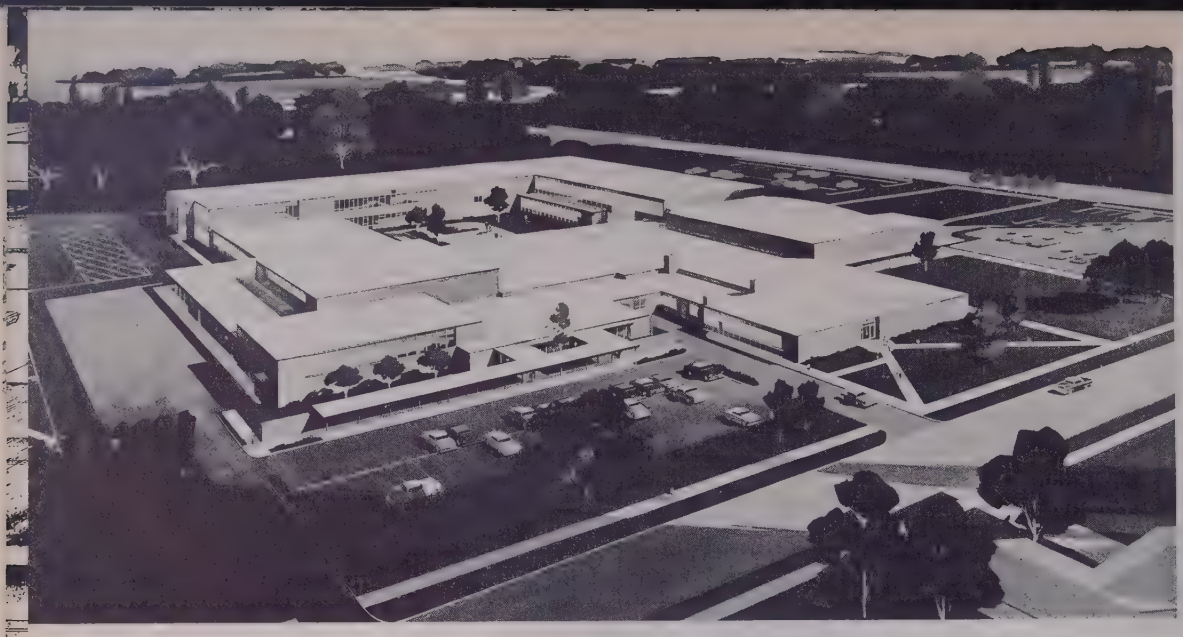

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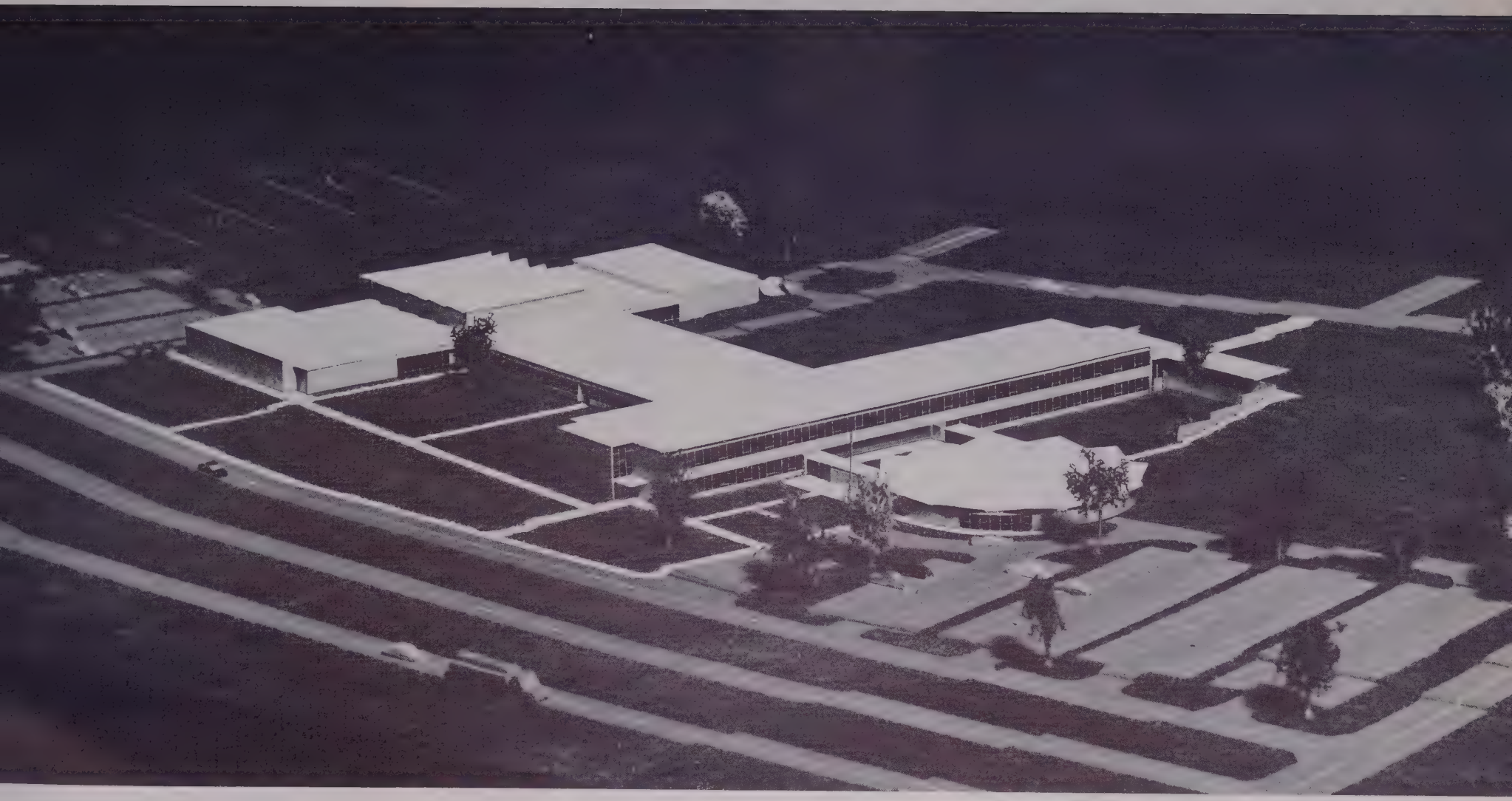

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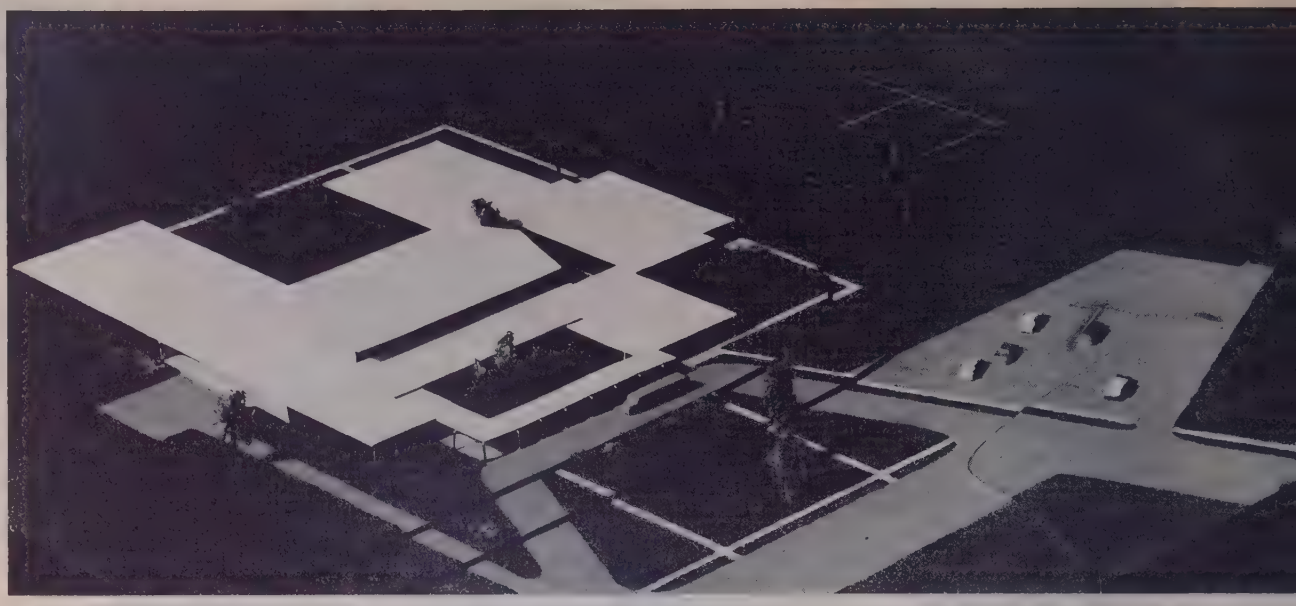

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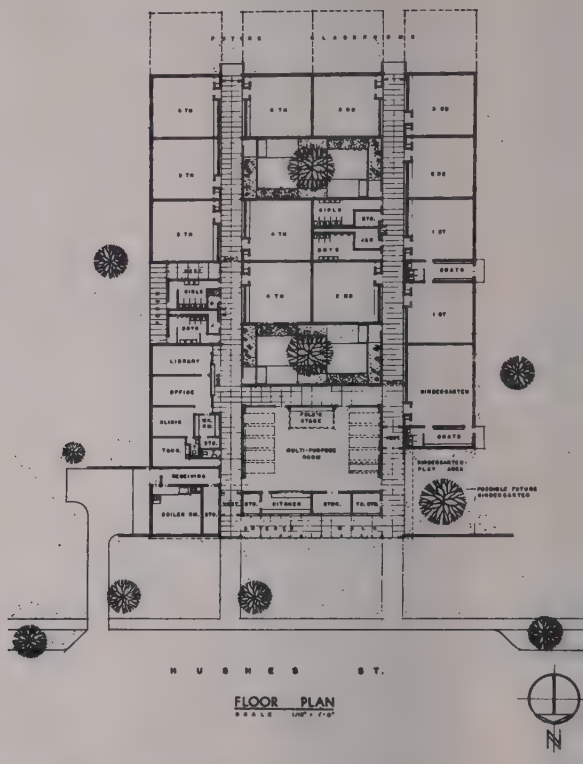

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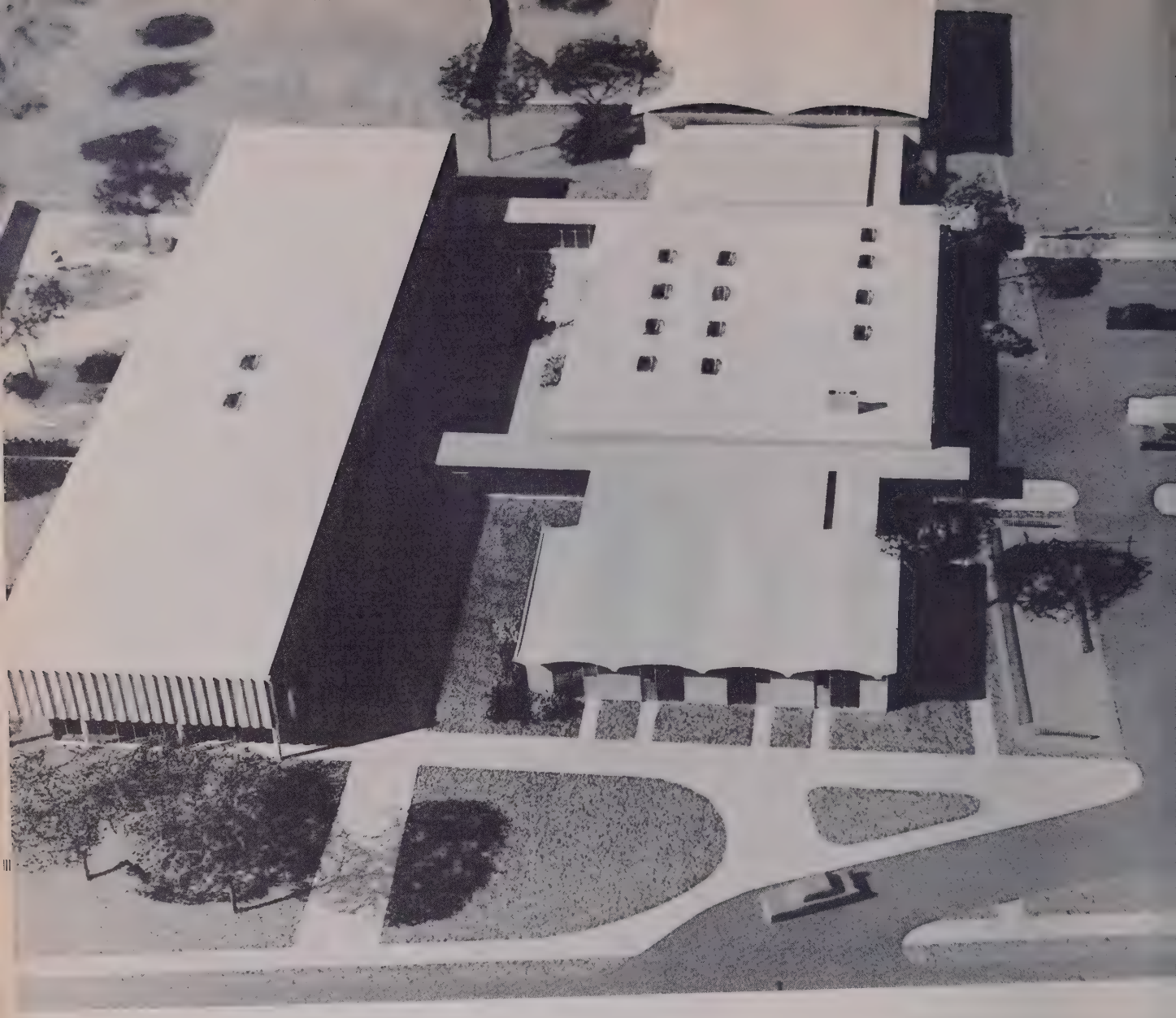

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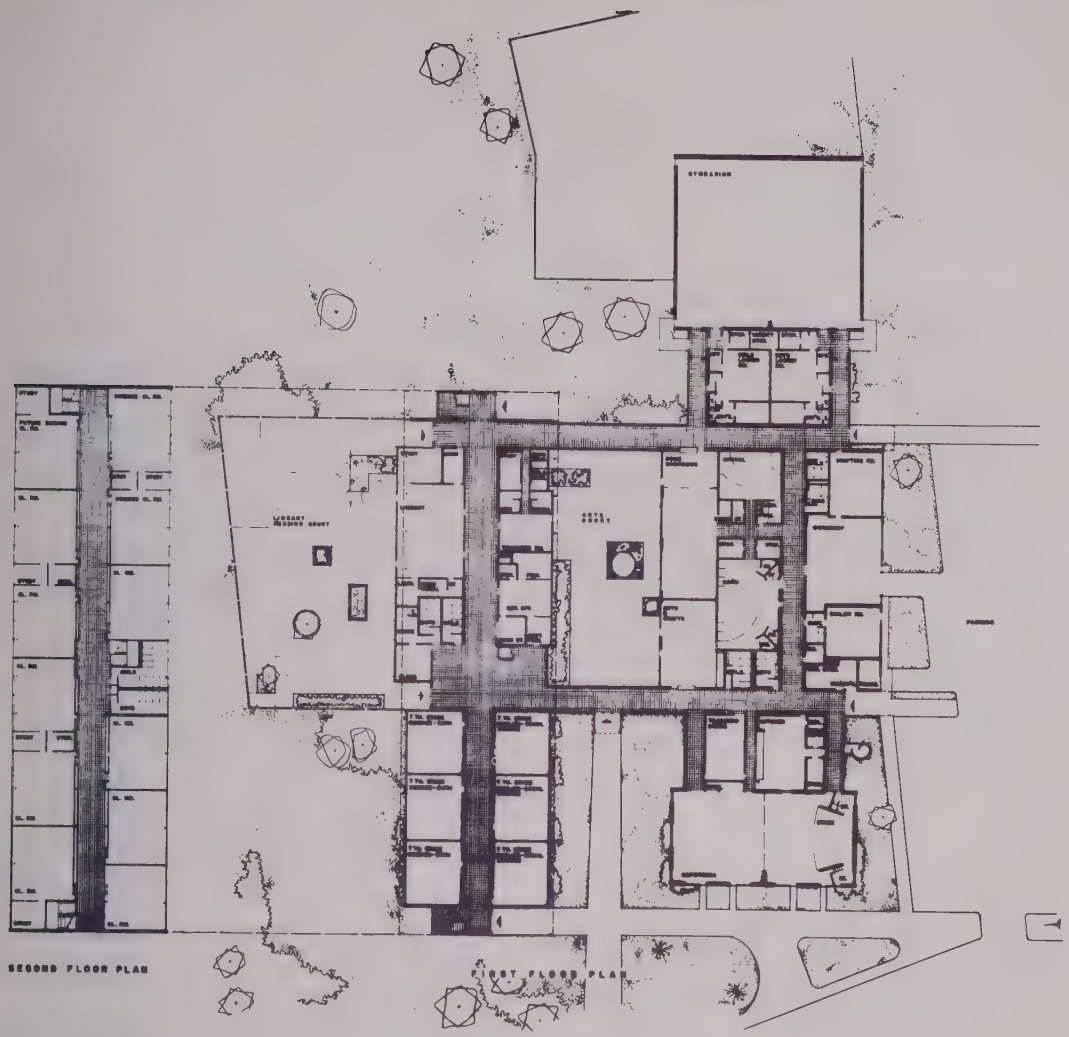

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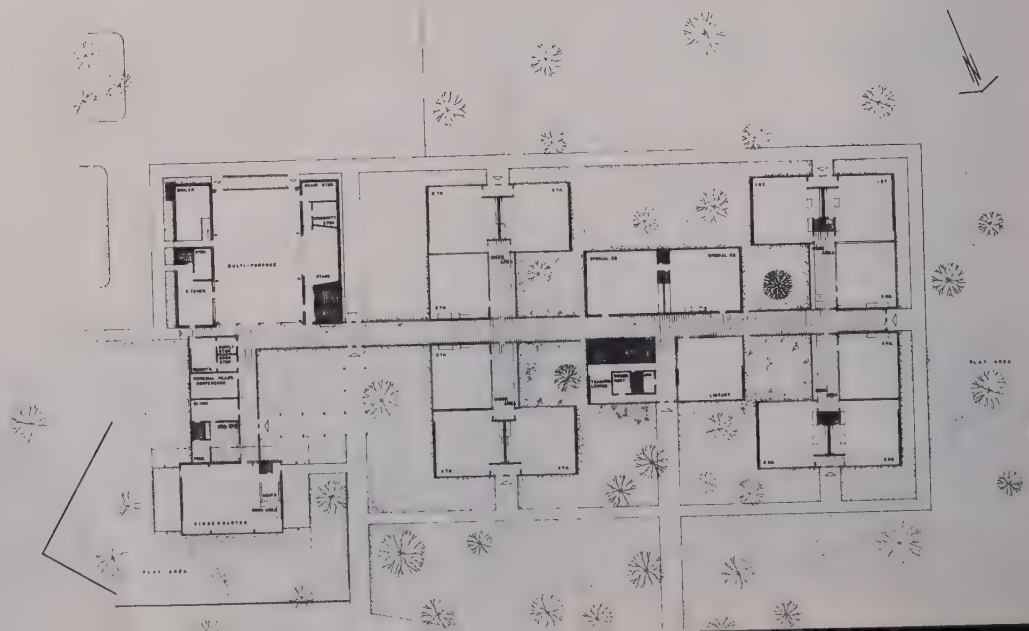

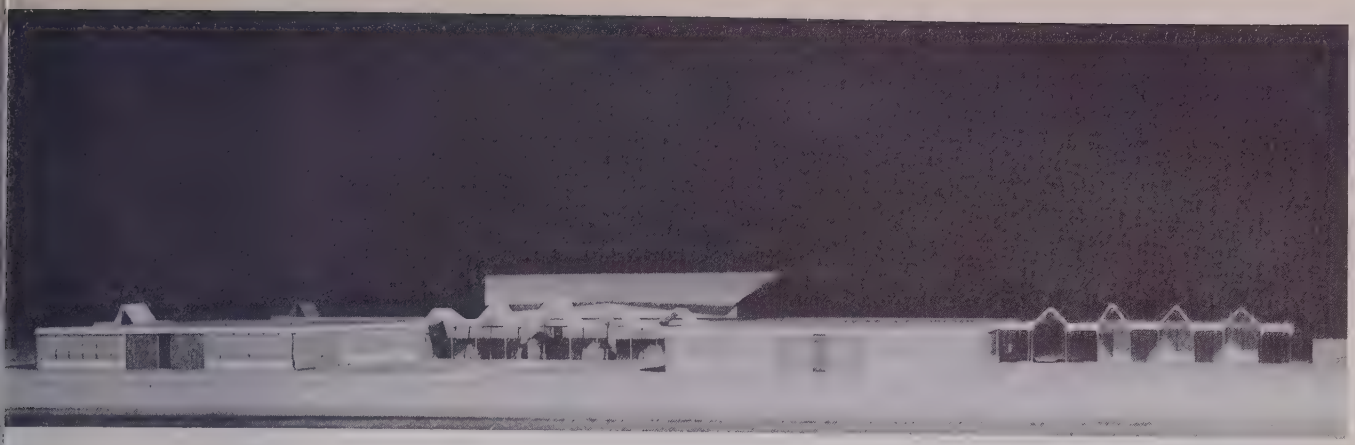

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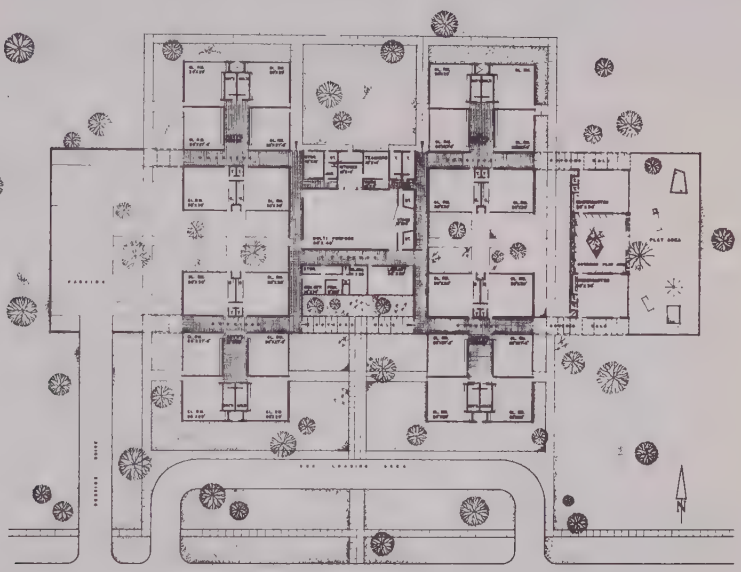

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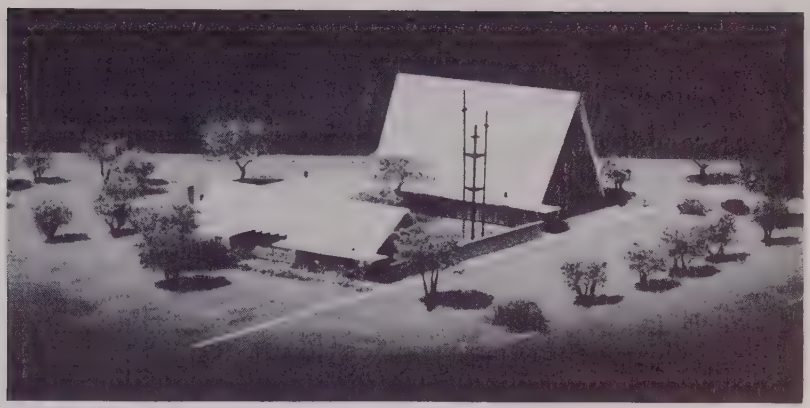

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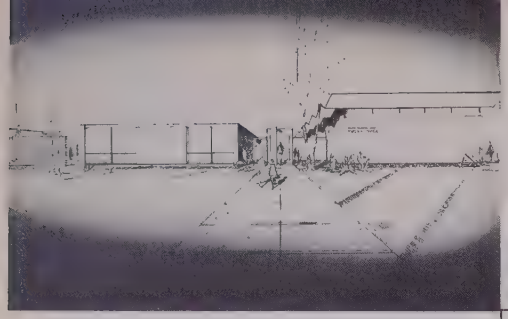

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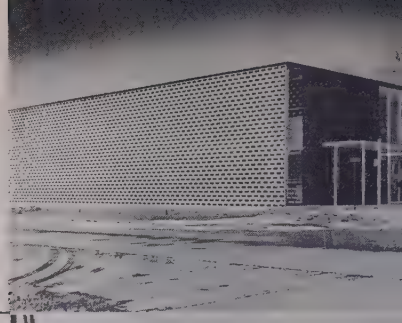

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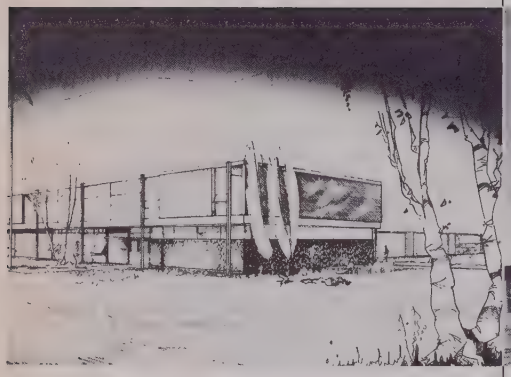

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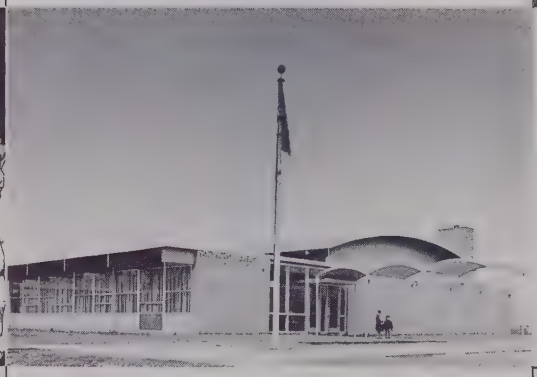

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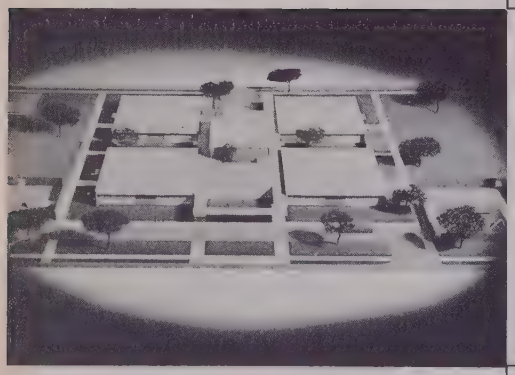

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Two Firms

One of Saginaw's oldest and best known architectural firms, Frantz & Spence, has been divided into two concerns, headed by the two architects who in 1925 joined forces to launch successful careers as partners.

Many notable buildings in Saginaw and throughout Michigan can trace their "birth" to Frantz & Spence drawing boards in the 35 years of the partnership.

Robert B. Frantz, F.A.I.A., senior in the partnership, has purchased the partnership property at 326 North Washington, and will continue his new firm at the old location.

James A. Spence, the other partner, is establishing offices at 241 N. Michigan Ave. His new telephone number is PLeasant 3-0701.

Mr. Frantz will have as an associate his son, Peter B. Frantz, A.I.A., a graduate of University of Michigan and Yale University schools of architecture. He joined the Frantz and Spence staff in 1952, but for about a year has been associated with an eastern architect engaged in designing for foreign governments.

Mr. Spence's associates will be his son, James A. Spence Jr.; his son-in-law, A. Calvin Smith, and Franklin H. Smith of Bay City, a member of the Frantz & Spence staff. All three are graduate architects and will become members of the new firm as soon as they are registered.

The biggest current Frantz & Spence project is the new home of The Saginaw News, due for completion and occupancy within the next few months.

On the long list of Frantz & Spence buildings are Saginaw High and Arthur Hill High School, the new YMCA, Saginaw Saving & Loan, Michigan National Bank, several Second National Bank branches, several Baker Perkins Buildings, Buena Vista High School, Potter and Handley Schools, Central Fire Station, and several buildings for Saginaw divisions of General Motors.

Schools in Midland and Port Huron, hospitals at Ann Arbor and Lapeer, and churches throughout Central Michigan also are on the list. One of the most notable of the many church designs is Midland's First Baptist.

In the 35 years of their partnership, both members of the Frantz & Spence team have won high personal honors in their profession, including special recognitions by the American Institute of Architects and its Michigan chapters. Their work repeatedly has received nationwide attention through publication in architectural magazines.

Both members of the now-dissolved partnerships are graduates of the University of Michigan School of Architecture, Mr. Frantz in 1917, Mr. Spence in 1922. Both have been active in Saginaw civic affairs. Mr. Frantz was a member of Saginaw's first City Planning Commission and served for years as its chairman.

SAGINAW VALLEY CHAPTER, American Institute of Architects has named a committee of four associate members to prepare material for the AIA Monthly Bulletin, MSA as follows:

Dale Suomela, Chairman, of Flint; Jack P. Fagley, of Midland, Henry G. Becker and William Stenglein, both of Saginaw.

It will be the duty of the Committee to report architectural happenings of the Saginaw Valley Chapter area, and to prepare material for the special issue featuring the work of architects of the area.

JAMES A. SPENCE (left) and ROBERT B. FRANTZ. Saginaw News Photo

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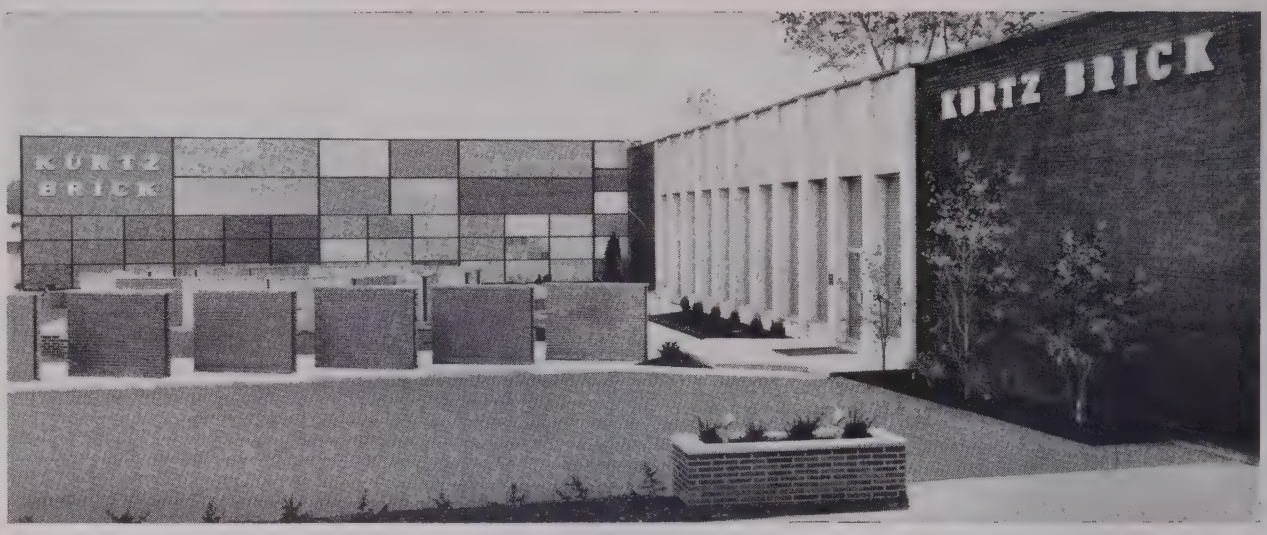

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Program

Richard C. Frank, Chairman

Of particular concern to your Committee at the beginning of the year was the lagging interest and attendance which the chapter had been experiencing. Several steps were taken in an attempt to rebuild for the year.

The Committee was selected to include Chapter members in each of the cities where meetings were normally held. Through the excellent work of these people, more local and chapter-wide interest was stimulated.

The meeting schedule was alleviated by both eliminating the Chapter meeting the month of the M.S.A. convention, and promoting local area meetings in December when travel is difficult and Christmas activities are the heaviest.

Programs of vital interest to members were selected for the few meetings which remained.

January 26—The annual meeting with the Producers' council was held at the Civic Center in Lansing.

February 23—A program on millwork, presented by the Michigan Architectural Woodwork Association, was held at the Grand Rapids Screen Co. in Grand Rapids.

March—M.S.A. Convention.

April 6—Meeting was at the University Club in Grand Rapids. The program, in two parts, was presented by Mr. Lloyd Fales of the Department of Public Instruction, and by the Michigan Artists Gallery Group.

May 18—Meeting at the Famous Grille in Lansing. The program concerned the aesthetic aspects of illumination in architecture and was presented by Jack Flynn, a registered architect with the General Electric Co., Nela Park, Cleveland, Ohio.

September 21 — Honor Awards program, in Battle Creek—covered in a separate report.

October 19—Election of officers, at the Colonial Inn near Kalamazoo.

November 16 — Ladies Night Party held in Lansing.

December—Local Area meetings.

Recommendations:

1. A guide for chairmen of individual meetings will be written for next year.
2. Select a minimum of two members on the program committee from each of the cities where meetings are held. They should handle all local arrangements. The program chairman should arrange for all outside and program material.
3. The program chairman should organize his committee into an active group having individual committee members promote attendance and participation from chapter members in his own area.
4. It might be well if the Honor Awards chairman were selected by the executive committee. He should be selected from the city where the Honor Awards Program will be held. He should act in the capacity of a co-chairman with the program chairman attending executive board meetings. He should have complete responsibility for Honor Awards program, and have a full sub-committee under him, composed of members from all principal cities in the chapter to promote participation.
5. A complete and realistic budget needs to be worked out for the year based on the different types of meetings.
6. Exact location for each meeting should be set and tentative reservations made at least 6 weeks before meeting date. This information should be forwarded to the M.S.A. Bulletin by the 10th of the month preceding the meeting.

APELSCOR

Claude D. Sampson, Representative

APELSCOR had two meetings during the past year. The following subjects and action were dealt with:

It has become apparent that the State Board of Registration of Architects, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors has been without the necessary funds to adequately perform their duties as prescribed by the Registration Act. A committee of APELSCOR members called upon the Sub-Committee of Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan and expressed the concern of the Council. During the past several years a great portion of the fees paid to the State was being reverted to the general fund and sufficient funds for the operation of the State Board were not being allocated. A roster has not been published for the last five years and travel funds for the investigative employees of the Board have not been sufficient for them to follow up their work concerned with acts of violation of the Registration Law.

APELSCOR is also greatly concerned with the intent of the Registration Law for the purpose of defining responsibilities and limitations of the Act of Registered architects, engineers and land surveyors when architects do work in the field of engineering and land surveying and conversely when engineers and land surveyors do work in the field of architecture, and a committee has been appointed to frame a request for the Registration Board to secure a ruling.

APELSCOR notified the Towns and Counties Committee of the Michigan House of Representatives as Senate Bill 1073 failed to take into consideration the requirements of Public Act 240 of 1937, as amended, calling for the protection of the public health and welfare by requiring examination for those who desire to practice architecture, engineering and land surveying and therefore earnestly urged the Committee to amend said Bill so that the requirements of Public Act 240 of 1937, as amended, is observed.

By-Laws

J. T. Daverman, Chairman

Instructions were to study existing by-laws of the Chapter and make recommended changes and adjustments required by past action of the Chapter, to correct discrepancies resulting from changes in the by-laws of the National AIA and to integrate the revised by-laws with those revisions now in effect in the Michigan Society of Architects.

The work has progressed to the point where the committee has reviewed the by-laws through Art. 9. There are a total of 17 Articles. In terms of the number of pages, the nine articles comprise 11 pages of a total of 22. It can therefore be stated that approximately 50% of the study is completed.

Although the work is tedious and difficult to execute because of the fact that part of the committee is rather widely separated, it nevertheless, is a committee recommendation that the study be continued by the same personnel until completion. It is hoped that the study can be completed during the coming year.

Education

Elmer J. Manson, Chairman

Under the Architect-in-Training Program, two apprentice architects are working toward registration. Another application is pending.

The chapter directors have approved purchase and distribution of the A.I.A. career pamphlets "Designing a Better Tomorrow." These have been received and will soon be distributed to all secondary schools in the chapter area.

Frederick W. Fuger

Frederick William Fuger A.I.A. scion of an old and historic family died suddenly of a heart attack while in his doctor's office in Grosse Pointe Michigan January 2. He was 56 years of age.

Born in San Francisco California June 11 1903 he attended Georgetown University graduating in 1926. He then entered Harvard University and in 1927 he transferred to the University of Michigan where he received his bachelor of science in architecture in 1931. He subsequently traveled and studied in Europe including a course at Atelier Gromort of Beaux Arts Paris France.

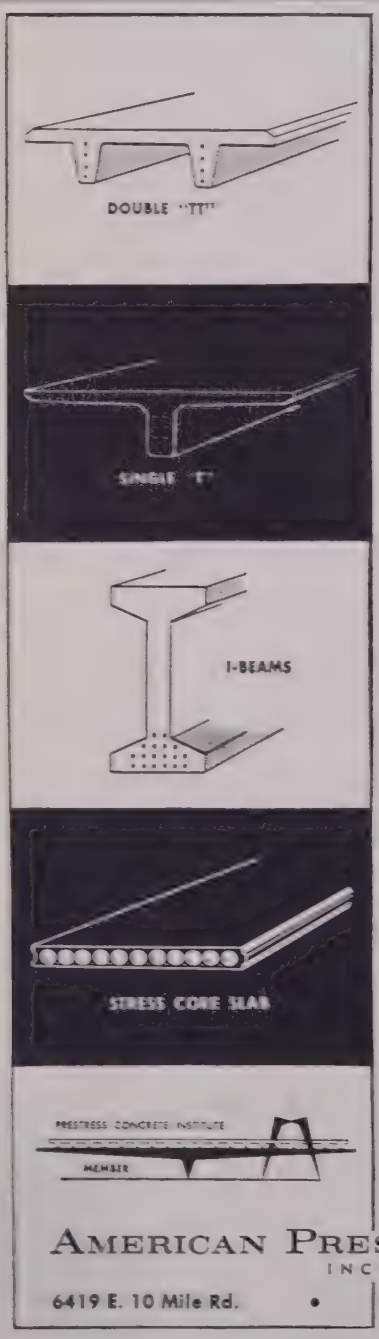
His experience was gained with Coolidge Shepley Bulfinch and Abbott of Boston and in leading architectural offices in Detroit. After becoming registered as an architect in Michigan in 1937 he entered his own practice.

On May 21 1940 he married the Polish countess Alix Grabska in Berlin Germany whom he met in 1937 on her visit to her aunt and uncle countess and count Alfred Nierychowski in Detroit.

He was a member of The American Institute of Architects its Detroit Chapter and the Michigan Society of Architects.

Surviving besides his wife are two daughters Ewa and Fredericka; his mother Mrs. C. Edmund Delbos; two brothers Theodore and Pierre and a sister Mrs. A. Ingersoll Lewis Jr.

The family home is at 160 McMillan Grosse Pointe Farms Michigan.



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Lee Black

Lee Black AIA, 82, prominent Lansing architect, died suddenly in his sleep at his home 1813 West Lenawee Lansing January 1. He suffered a heart attack.

Born in Cedar Springs, Michigan, May 18, 1877, he finished high school and business college and completed ICS courses and worked in various architects' offices.

He entered his own practice in 1911. From 1913 through 1914 he was a partner with the late Thomas E. White of Lansing. Since 1930 he was a partner with his son, Kenneth C. Black FAIA. Recently he retired and became a consultant to the firm. The firm's offices are at 706 Capitol Savings and Loan Building Lansing and 1213 Majestic Building Detroit.

Among the firm's Lansing projects are the Bank of Lansing Building, City Hall and several schools. The firm was also architect for Southwest Michigan Tuberculosis Hospital at Kalamazoo and remodeling of the University Hospital in Ann Arbor.

Mr. Black was a member of The American Institute of Architects its Detroit Chapter and the Michigan Society of Architects. On January 1, 1959 he was made an emeritus member of these organizations.

On November 28, 1950 Mr. Black and his wife Nellie celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Besides his wife and son, Kenneth, he leaves two other sons, Graeme and William, and three grandsons.

Louis Chesnow

Louis Chesnow an architect and World War I veteran, died in Veterans Hospital, Detroit on December 11 after a long illness. He was 65 years of age.

Born in Russia he had been a Detroit resident for 50 years. He attended the University of Notre Dame and was a member of the East Side B'nai B'rith.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Maxine Posen of Los Angeles and one grandson.

W. R. Ralston

Willoughby R. Ralston, architect died suddenly at his home 1636 Scotten Avenue Detroit on January 21. He was 54 years of age.

Born in Detroit October 29, 1905. He gained his early experience with Donaldson and Meier Architects of Detroit. He became registered as an architect in Michigan in 1930 and was then employed by the Detroit Housing Commission. More recently he was with Earl G. Meyer, Architect of Detroit. He was a veteran of World War II.

Surviving is a sister, Mrs. Leo Frye.

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NEXT MEETING

William J. Johnson, associate professor of landscape architecture, College of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan, will be the speaker of a dinner meeting of the Detroit Chapter, American Institute of Architects in Detroit's Rackham building on the evening of Tuesday, February 16, 1960. His subject will be "An Evaluation of Landscape Architecture."

Professor Johnson received his bachelor of landscape architecture degree from Michigan State University and his master's degree from Harvard University. He has been a partner in the Detroit firm of Eichstedt and Johnson, Landscape Architects.

Those attending this meeting will be amply rewarded, as professor Johnson is a good speaker, and he will have an interesting message on this important subject.

The Chapter's Board of Directors will meet at 3:30 P. M. There will be a social half hour with complimentary refreshments at 6:00, dinner will be served at 6:30 and the program will begin at 8:00. Those who are unable to attend the dinner may come to the lecture only, for which there will be no charge.

Ladies are especially invited.

The physical school plant takes a major slice of the educational dollar, Philip Will, Jr., FAIA, prominent school architect, of Chicago, and First Vice President of The American Institute of Architects, told a meeting of the Detroit Chapter, AIA in Detroit's Rackham building January 14.

He added that architects and school boards had been accused in recent years of wasting money on plush school buildings. This, he said, had caused school boards to feel that costs must be kept to a minimum, not only in fact but also in appearance, and he explained:

"We have had school boards caution us, 'We want the building to look rather cheap, so we won't be criticized for being lavish with the tax-payers' money.'"

This attitude, the architects said, is entirely unjustified, because people all over the world are demanding better standards of living.

"A school building," he said, "is much more than just class rooms. In many instances it is the only building in a city that serves as a community center.

"Earlier our farming economy gave the teen-agers something useful to do. Today we are becoming more industrialized, and there must be some substitute for this leisure time.

"It is important to a city that its educational system be great, otherwise something vital to its existence will die. We must approach these problems in a more humble attitude," he concluded.

President Robert F. Hastings presided and gave a brief report on the Chapter's afternoon Board meeting, including the election of seven associate members and approval of nine applications for corporate membership. He gave some news of Joseph W. Leinweber and Frederick G. Strauss, of his firm who are now in Korea. Mr. John N. Richards, FAIA, was a guest at the dinner meeting and he gave us a very interesting talk on the work of the American Institute of Architects, of which he is now serving his second term as President.

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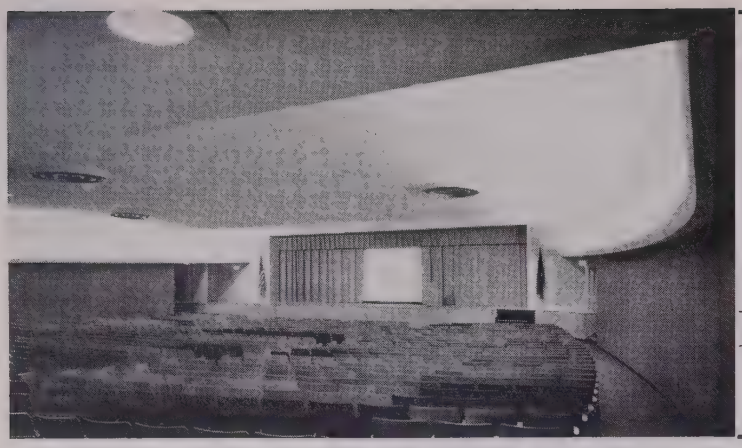

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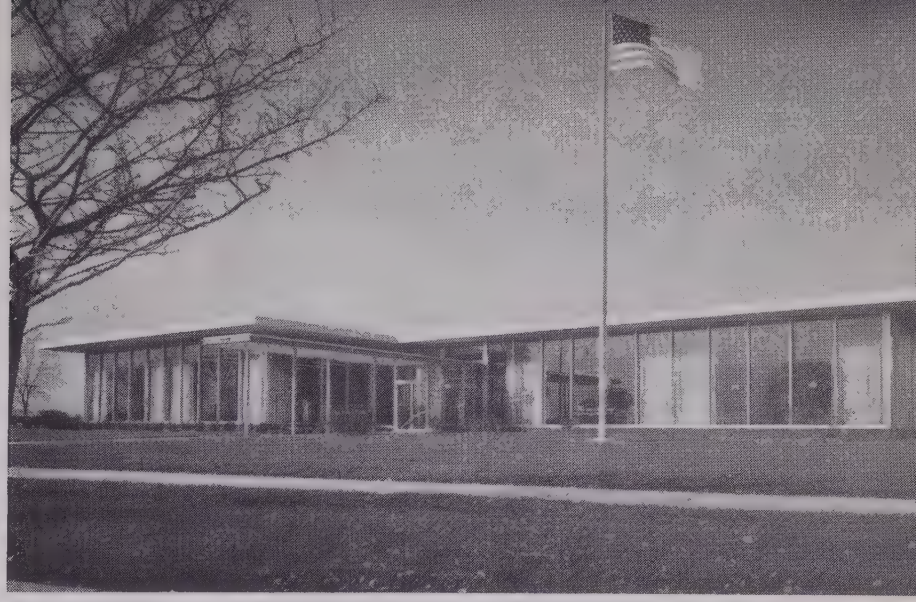

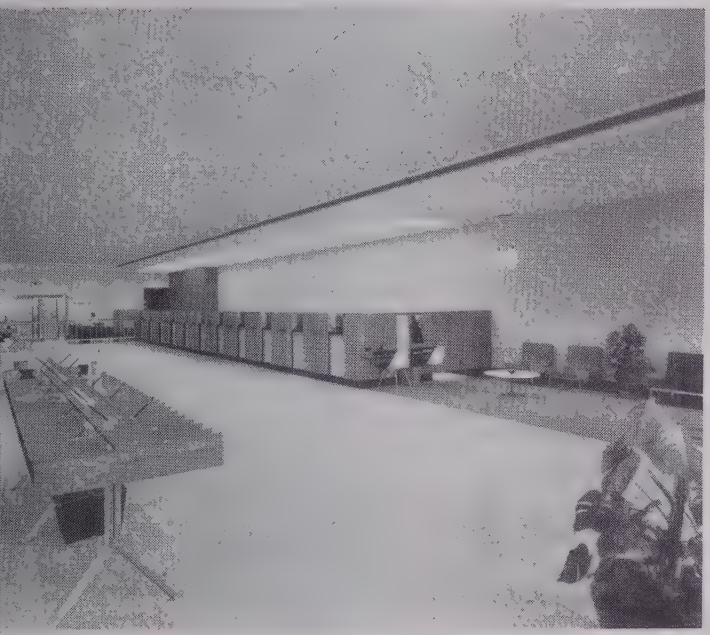

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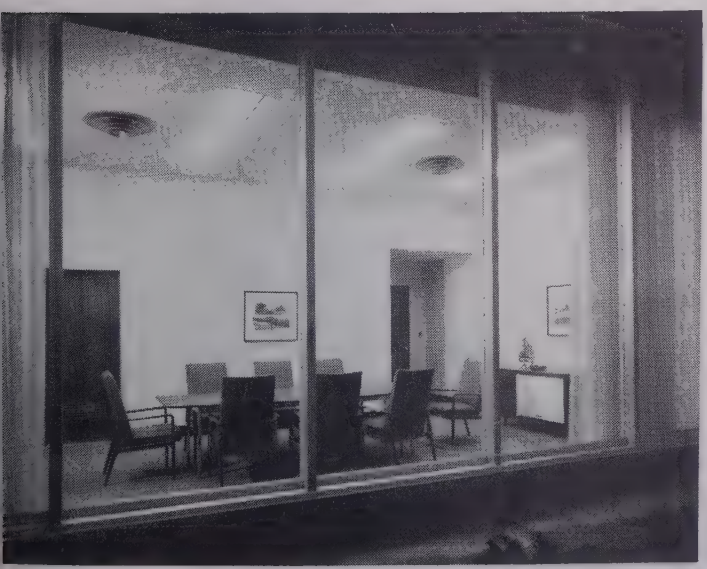

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By MARIE NOTH

MRS. J. VERNE CORDES will be our speaker at the February meeting of WALD at the Women's City Club. Mrs. Cordes will talk on "Operas in English" and will demonstrate her program with music. This should be both instructive and enjoyable. So please turn out and make it a festive occasion.

January's meeting of the WALD was canceled because of the flu epidemic.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Mrs. Robert Blakeslee who lost her mother on Christmas Day and to Mrs. Fred Fuger whose husband died very suddenly on January second.

"CALLING ALL WIVES OF ARCHITECTS IN MICHIGAN"—Your husband will be receiving a flyer before February 15th giving the highlights of the State Convention of Michigan Society of Architects to be held at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel March 30th and 31st and April first. If he has not already brought it home, ask him about it —there is a special invitation for you and news about the exciting things planned for the wives this year. DO NOT MISS IT.

Remember those dates, March 30th, 31st and April first. You will be sorry if you miss it. Convention Chairman for Women's Activities is Mrs. Edwin F. Noth, Vice-Chairman is Mrs. Hurless E. Bankes and Mrs. LaVern J. Nelsen, President of WALD, will be Chairman of Hostesses.

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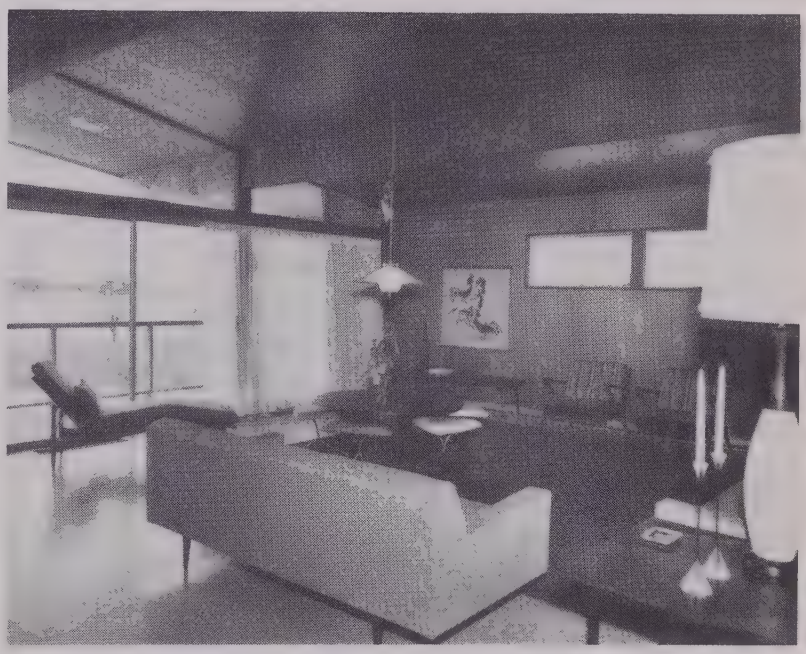

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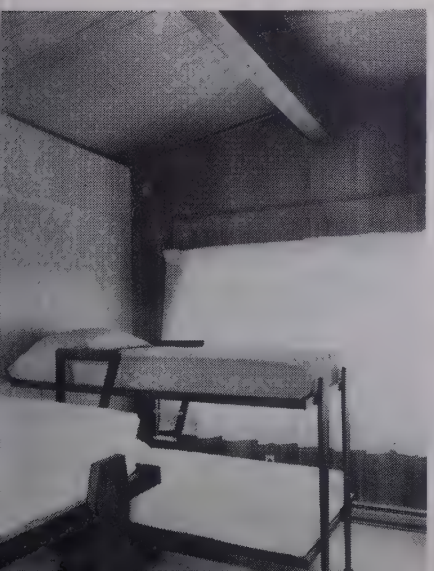

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LaVern J. Nelsen, AIA, General Convention Chairman

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"Reports reaching MSA Detroit indicate that the Competition will have the active statewide participation of men and women of the engineering as well as the architectural drafting professions. The broad scope of the four categories set up as the basis for awards; architectural, structural, mechanical and electrical offer many opportunities to win.
In addition to the $1000 in cash awards, all winners will be given signal recognition at the 1960 MSA Convention's Annual Awards Dinner, March 31, 1960 and their winning entries will be prominently displayed throughout the entire convention. **Get your entries in EARLY** to: **William J. Rettenmier, Executive Secretary, SMCAD Industry Fund, 224 McKerchey Bldg., 2631 Woodward Ave., Detroit 1, Michigan. COMPETITION CLOSES MARCH 15, 1960." Ernest J. Dellar, AIA, Competition Chairman**

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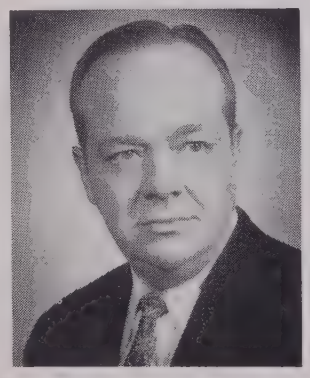

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Annual Meeting

A record number of almost 600 members attended the 69th Annual Meeting and election of the Builders' & Traders' Exchange of Detroit, held Tuesday, January 19, 1960 at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel.

Nearly 1800 votes were cast in the election of three new directors. Elected to the Board for three-year terms were Peter J. Koenig, Koenig Coal & Supply Co.; Richard J. Kullen, Kullen Builders' Supply Co.; and W. Rodman Turner, Turner Engineering Co.

Continuing on the Board of Directors are John J. Bruny, Bruny Brothers, R. L. Deppmann, R. L. Deppmann Co.; Robert E. Wunderlich, The Wunderlich Co., Inc.; Robert A. Carter, Robert Carter Corp.; Lyle E. Eiserman, The Eiserman Company; and Franklin J. Knight, Frank J. Knight Company.

Retiring from the Board are Exchange President, George M. Suliburk, Cruickshank DeCou & Suliburk, and Vice-Presidents Paul E. Schuster, Schuster Equipment Company; and Walter D. Hough, Yale Rubber Mfg. Co.

Exchange activities for the past year were reviewed briefly by the Chairmen of the various standing committees and by William C. Dennis, Secretary-Manager.

C. Russell Slimmon, Vice-President of Bryant & Detwiler Co., Chairman of the newly formed Safety Committee reported that for the first time, beginning January 26, 1960 the Exchange will sponsor a seven-week training course in accident prevention and job safety for top management and construction supervisors. The course has been developed and will be conducted by Michigan State University in the offices of the Exchange.

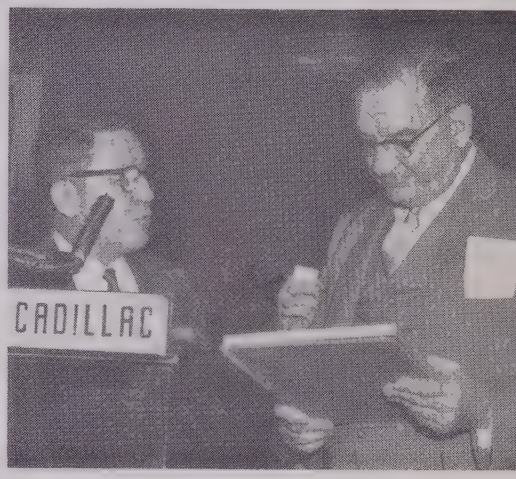
Edwin L. Salkowski, President of Christopher Construction Co. and Chairman of the Education Committee, said that as a result of their meetings the Estimating School, first established in 1936, has been revamped to offer two courses, "Introduction to Estimating," emphasizing plan-reading and some basic estimating; and the more advanced "Construction Estimating." This committee has also studied and recommended to the membership as suitable, courses in adult education now being offered by the Materials Management Center, Wayne State University. Currently the committee is exploring the possibility of a series of evening conferences as a preliminary to developing a package program of adult education courses, offered through one of the universities and designed specifically for men in the construction industry.

Mr. Dennis reported that in 1959, the Exchange offices were moved from the 9th Floor to the 2nd and 3rd Floors in the same building. The Plan Room now accomodates 50 take-off tables compared to 20 tables available prior to the move. A completely new system was inauguarated with the move for handling the plans which facilitates storage, handling and locating of the plans while on file.

At the time of the Annual Meeting, the Detroit Builders' & Traders' Exchange membership had reached a new high of 1545 of Michigan's largest firms in the construction industry. The Exchange continues to be the largest organization of its kind in the world.

In his report, Dennis emphasized the political and economic power void which exists in the construction industry. He pointed to the diverse groups of subcontractors prime contractors, architects and engineers, the lack of a unified effort to solve many problems which are common to the entire industry, and pledged the Exchange to work to unify the various segments of the industry.

Pictured L. to R. are newly elected directors of the Detroit Builders' & Traders' Exchange, W. Rodman Turner, vice-president, Turner Engineering Co.; Richard J. Kullen, president, Kullen Builders' Supply Co.; and Peter J. Koenig, vice-president, Koenig Coal & Supply Co., and newly elected Exchange president, R. L. Deppmann, president, R. L. Deppmann Co.



Pictured above L. to R.—Benjamin A. Capp, Wolverine Marble Company, Chairman of the Awards Committee presenting a plaque to Detroit Builders' & Traders' Exchange retiring President George M. Suliburk, Cruickshank, DeCou & Suliburk, at the Exchange Annual Meeting at the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel Tuesday, January 19, 1960.

Nelson Kropik, owner of the Nelson-Mill Co. stated that last June the Entertainment Committee undertook the sponsorship of a one-day cruise aboard the S. S. Aquarama. This was enjoyed by over 400 people including 50 architects who were guests of the Exchange.

Three bowling leagues were again sponsored by the Exchange; a Tuesday Afternoon League and a Wednesday Evening League for the men; and a Friday Night Ladies League. In addition to these, the 8th Annual Builders' and Traders' Doubles Bowling Classic was a huge success with 224 bowlers participating.

Edward Shereda, President of Midwest Maintenance, Inc., reported that six golf outings were held from May through October with a good construction industry representation in attendance at each.

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The Detroit Architectural Sales Representatives Institute held January 14 at the Pick Fort Shelby Hotel in Detroit was a tremendous success. The large Coral Room was filled at both morning and afternoon sessions and every table was utilized at the luncheon held in the Crystal Ballroom. At the speakers tab were, above, top row, Producer Treasurer Edward S. Parker of United States Plywood Corp.; David Mueller of Giffels and Rossetti; Producer Vice President C. Russell Wentworth of Modernfold Door Sales Co.; AIA Detroit Chapter President Robert F. Hastings, Executive Vice President and Treasurer of Smith, Hinchman & Grylls Associates, Inc.; National Past President of Producers' Council William Gillett, Vice President of Fenestra, Inc.; Second row: Producer President M. Eugene Hannum of Armstrong Cork Co.; National President of AIA John Noble Richards, FAIA, Senior Partner of Bellman, Gillett & Richards of Toledo, Ohio; MSA Secretary Gerald G. Diehl, Vice President and Secretary of Diehl & Diehl; Producer Secretary Robert D. Mosier of Structural Clay Products Co.

MSA — SMCAD Industry Fund 1960 Draftsmen's Competition Closes Mar. 15

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 25—PICK FORT SHELBY HOTEL
Annual Mechanical Trades Night.

MARCH:
Day long roofing seminar on the 8th.
Cocktail party in connection with AIA Convention.

APRIL 28th:
Sponsored meeting by Armstrong Cork Company.

The talks given at the Detroit Sales Representative Institute will appear in future issues of the Bulletin in the following sequence:

MARCH—"SELLING AN ARCHITECT" by John Noble Richards, FAIA, President of AIA

APRIL—"ARCHITECTURE—THE PROFESSION AND THE MAN" by Dean Philip N. Youtz, AIA, Dean of the School of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan

MAY—"THE TRAINING OF AN ARCHITECT" by Walter B. Sanders, AIA, Chairman of Department of Architecture and Design, University of Michigan

JUNE—"THE SMALL ARCHITECTURAL FIRM AND ITS OPERATION" by Clifford N. Wright, AIA

JULY—"THE MEDIUM SIZED ARCHITECTURAL FIRM AND ITS OPERATION" by Linn Smith, AIA, Great Lakes Regional Director of AIA

AUGUST—"THE LARGE ARCHITECTURAL FIRM AND ITS OPERATION" by Robert F. Hastings, AIA, President Detroit Chapter, AIA

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THE CONCRETE STEEL CORP., Subsidiary of the Hausman Steel Co., entertained over 200 architects and engineers at an informational dinner meeting held January 19 in the Hotel Sheraton-Cadillac, Detroit. Hosts were John Quinn, R. I. Jervis Jones and Art Mullkoff.

The subject of the meeting, "Space Structures," covered mainly the features of concrete shell roofs. Prominent guest speakers, who made the evening extremely interesting and informative were: Minoru Yamasaki, AIA, Professor W. A. Oberdick of the University of Michigan, and Raymond C. Reese of the Concrete Steel Corp.

An excellent illustrated booklet on the subject of concrete shell roofs entitled, "Roofs With A New Demension," was presented to guests and is available through the Portland Cement Association, 2108 Michigan National Tower Bldg., Lansing, Michigan.

MICHIGAN ASPHALT PAVING ASSOCIATION, INC., announces the appointment of William J. Wallace as asphalt paving consultant in the Detroit Metropolitan area. Wallace is a registered professional engineer.

The new district offices of the Association are located at 10460 W. Nine Mile Road, Oak Park, Mich. The new telephone number is LIncoln 8-1433.

The Association has information and specifications for asphalt concrete paving for highways, sterets, industrial and commercial parking lots and driveways. Scott A. Baker is executive secretary of the Association.

WOOD CONVERSION COMPANY, makers of acoustical tile, announce the appointment of Detroit Acoustical Contracting Company as acoustical contractors for their products.

Detroit Acoustical Contracting Company is located at 14001 Intervale, Detroit, Mich. The telephone number is VErmont 8-7265.

LARSEN PRODUCTS CORP., Bethesda, Maryland announces the appointment of Charles W. Kirkpatrick as district sales manager for the north central states including Michigan.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, who has had considerable experience in rendering technical service to architects for many years, will give prompt information on Larsen bonding agents: Plaster-Weld, Weld-Crete and Tile-Weld. Inquiries may be addressed to 6958 Town Lane, Dearborn 6, Mich. Telephone TIffany 6-9150.

CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY, Auburn Heights, has been appointed exclusive distributors of Curtis products in Southeastern Michigan.

"Our company is newly formed," says its president, Roy B. "Chief" Church, "and already many dealers are handling the line. The widely acclaimed Curtis products will be easily available throughout the area."

The Curtis line includes hollow-core interior and solid-core exterior flush doors, including a new Golden Maple pre-finished interior door that requires no stain; double-hung, convertible, sliding and basement windows plus a complete selection of modern Fashion Wood Kitchens.

Architects can now specify and install the mnay Curtis products which are available through lumber dealers.

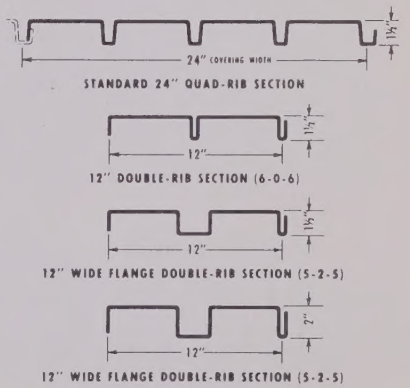
THE BUILDING PRODUCTS DIVISION of The R. C. Mahon Co., Detroit, now enables architects to select from a single source any one of four standard types of steel roof deck to meet any need, when erecting buildings of standard roof construction with the addition of a standard, 24-inch wide, roof deck section to its line.

The addition is referred to as a quad-rib section, classified in the trade as a closed rib deck. It's extra width speeds up roof installation almost 50 per cent, and can be used in bonded roofs with ½-inch or more insulation below the roofing felt.

Like the other deck sections in the company's line, it is installed by welding to each structural support on 12-inch centers laterally. It also meets yield point requirements of 33,000 pounds per square inch, to allow a maximum working stress up to 18,000 psi.

The accompanying sketch indicates what the user now can purchase for standard roof construction, and helps evaluate the deck design features for his purposes.

All sections shown are furnished in quality steel, conforming to ASTM speci-



fication A 245, grade C; and in any length needed for continuity. Normally, they are furnished in lengths to span two or more purling supports. They also are provided with a hot dip, tight-coat galvanized and, or an oven-baked synthetic enamel finish. In enamel finishing, the steel is chemically cleaned, phosphated, and treated with a chromic acid solution to provide rust proofing and paint bonding.

JULIUS BLUM & COMPANY are now offering new ornamental castings for use in contemporary designs. The two new patterns form continuous designs, both vertically and horizontally, by joining the castings to form screens, grilles, columns and railing panels. The castings are non-shattering malleable iron and assure permanence as well as fabricating economy. Information on both the Amsterdam and Canterbury patterns may be obtained by request from Julius Blum & Company, Carlstadt, N. J.

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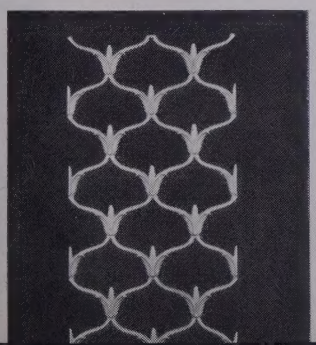

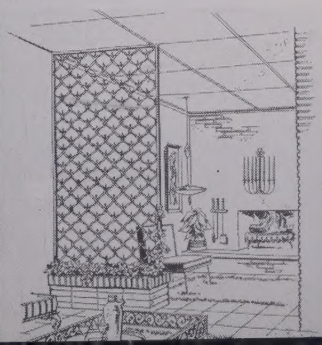

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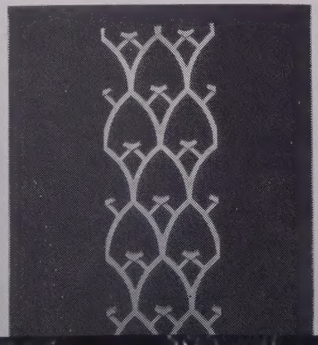

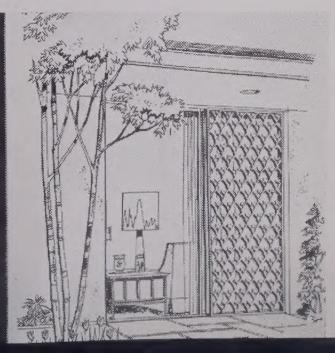

Bulletin Board

BUD GUEST, proprietor of "Guest House," on WJR, Detroit presented his show before the Detroit Rotary Club Ladies' Day on December 23, taped for later broadcast.

He said that when he appeared before the same group two years ago there occurred the most embarrassing moment in his radio career.

Proceeding with the show, he came back to the embarrassing moment later, when he said, "I hear a lot of funny stories, many of which I can't tell you, but Bishop Emrich told me a story, and when a Bishop tells me a story, chances are I can tell it to you. Two years ago, at the end of this broadcast, I thought I had just enough time to give you the story, and after I had said, 'Bishop Emrich told me a story,' the producer tugged at my coat sleeve and pointed to his watch to indicate that time was up, so all I had time to add was, 'but I can't tell it to you.'

I sat beside the Bishop at a ball game a short time later and he said, 'well, you certainly fixed me up that time.'"

After Guest House had proceeded for another spell, Bud said, "and I suppose you are wondering what the Bishop's story was. Well, here it is:

"A minister was at the front of his church one Sunday, shaking hands with the congregation as they left, when along came a young man to whom the minister said, 'I was so sorry to hear that your father passed away during the week. Did he have any last words?' 'No,' said the young man, 'my mother was with him to the end.'"

IF YOU ARE IRKED by all that mail you receive addressed only to "occupant" of your home, consider that in Bethel Park, Pa., people spent the year returning it "Refused—no person of such name here."

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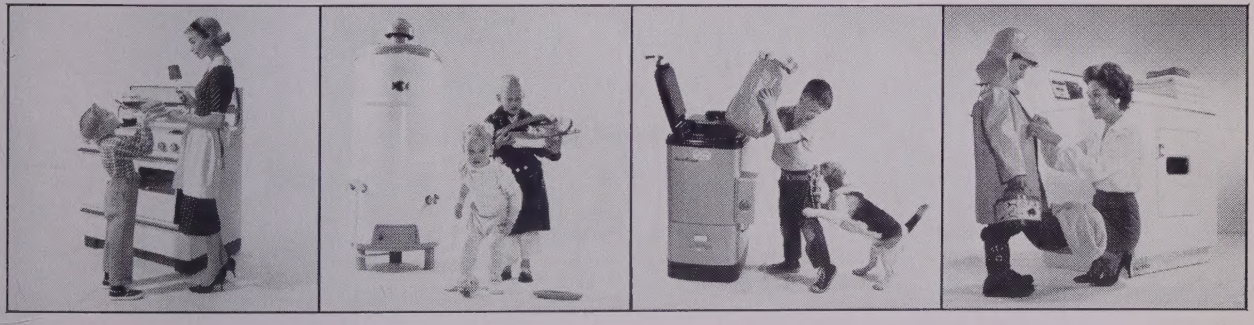

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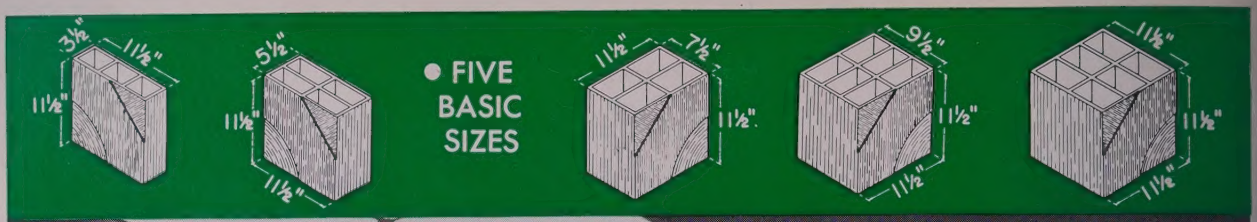

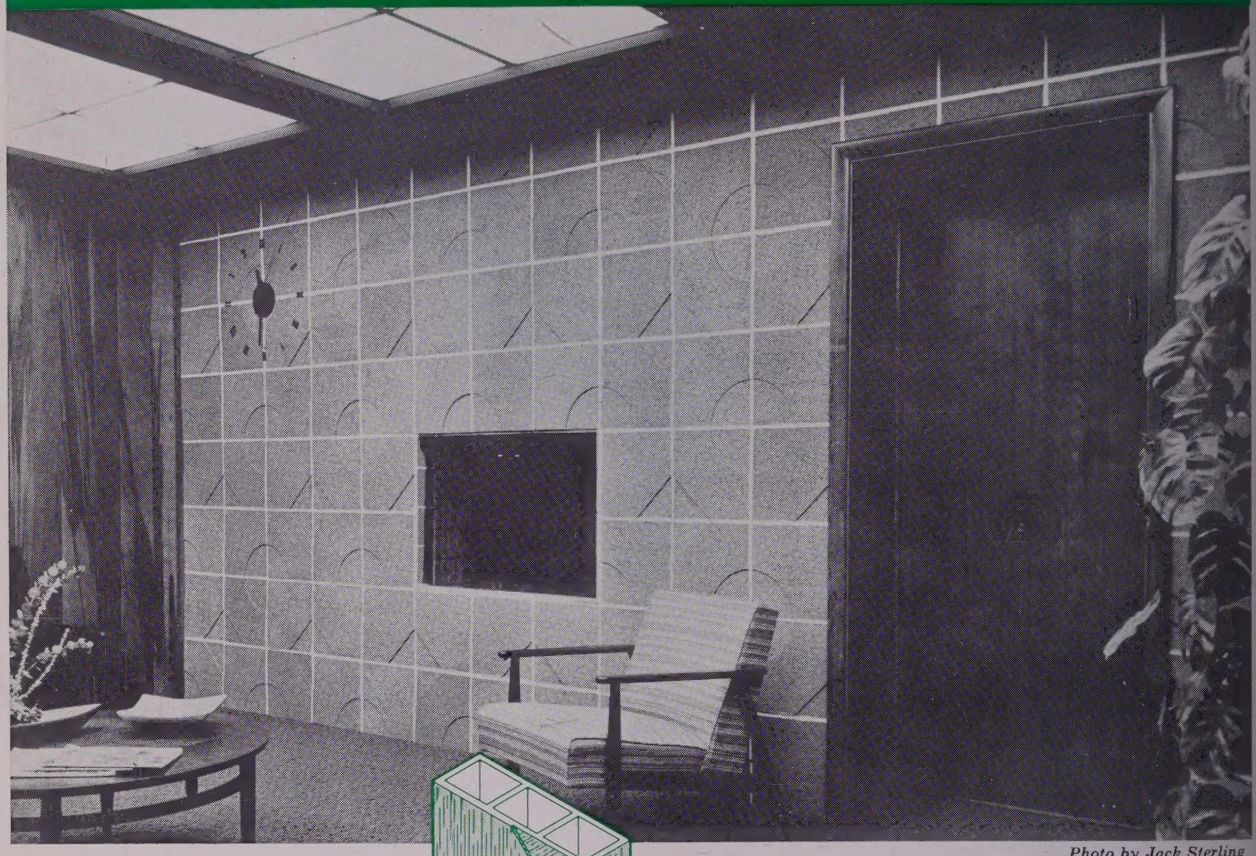

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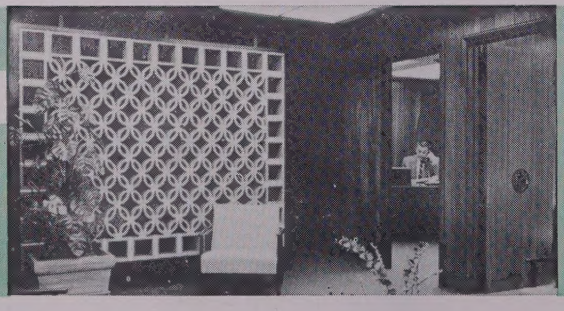

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